

Game: **Danger Valley**

Discussion: **What you should and shouldn't dodge in life**

YOU WILL NEED: *Cones or some sort of boundary marker; Instead of using the playground balls, use small foam or soft-feeling balls such as the water-balls that many people using in water fights or in their swimming pools.*

Danger Valley

Set up cones to make two long lines about 10-15 feet apart. One team lines up on each side of the cones. These teams have the dodge balls. They must stay behind the boundary and can't move into the "valley" to get more balls. The third team has no balls and begins at the entrance to the valley. Their goal is to run the entire length of the valley without being hit with a ball.

When they are hit, they move off the course and don't continue to the end. Count how many make it all the way or how far the last person hit goes. The winning team is the one that has the most members make it all the way across or the one that makes it the farthest. Give each team a turn to "running the valley."

Spiritual Application

A minute ago you wanted to "dodge" the balls. There are few things that God wants you to dodge in life. God wants you to dodge sin. Give me an example of sin. What are some ways you can dodge sin? (*Walk with Jesus, Go to church, pray, read your Bible.*) How can you help others dodge sin? (*Tell them about Jesus; If they are doing something wrong, help them to choose to do what's right.*) If you want, you can tie in Ephesians 6 where Paul talks about the fiery darts of the devil that are deflected by the shield of faith.

Play the game again.

Spiritual Application

A minute ago I told you some things that God wants you to dodge in life, but there are also some things that God does not want you to dodge or "miss out" on—He doesn't want you to miss out on REAL life—which only comes from Jesus, or to miss out on giving your life to Christ, or to miss out on the love, joy, and peace that comes only from knowing God.