

Game: **Chariot Races**
Discussion: **Trusting in God**
Scripture: **Psalm 20:7**

YOU WILL NEED: *Two sheets and masking tape.*

Chariot Races

Divide your class into two teams. Have each team form a line behind the START line you marked out using tape before class. Two or three students from each team will serve as horses by grabbing the corners of the team's blanket while one student rides by sitting on the other half of the blanket. The student riding on the blanket should hold onto the sides of the sheet for safety. When you say go, the "horses" pull the "rider" around the other tape line or X's you placed before class (about 8 to 10 feet) away and back to the beginning point. The first team to have every member complete the race wins. Also, tell your students to be careful not to swing the riders off. Tell the riders to hang on tight but if they fall off, to let go of the sheet so they won't get any carpet burns. Also, be sure to clear away any chairs or tables in the vicinity of the races.

After the races, call your class together and discuss Psalm 20:7. You can easily relate this to the exodus (Exodus 14) as the Israelites at the Red Sea and are regretting leaving Egypt. Pharaoh's army is coming and there seems to be no way to escape. They think they are going to die. But at the same time, you can see Moses' trust in God. In life, however, no matter how bad a situation might appear, you can always trust God.

For an addition variation:

Play the game again but this time, you won't use two "horses" and one "rider," but as many horses and riders as possible. The first team to have everyone ride wins.