Game: "Squirt Them Out" Simon Says Discussion: Going Against the Flow Scripture: Galatians 6:9 YOU WILL NEED: 1 Spray water bottle

"Squirt Them Out" Simon Says

Play "Simon Says" with your class. Either you can lead the game or you can have the students take turns leading. Either way, this version is a little different. When a student does something when they are not supposed to, they are not out. Instead, using a spray bottle, squirt them with a shot or two of water. (*NOTE*: If a student doesn't want to get wet, shoot at their shoes or peripheral clothing. Many will want you to squirt their face though. This is meant to be fun, so if it is obvious that someone doesn't want to be squirted at all, that's okay too. If you have a student that is intentionally getting "out" to get squirted, institute a "three strikes and you're out" policy, which means, if they get squirted three times, they're out of the game.)

Play for a few minutes. Whoever didn't get squirted at all during the game is the winner, and as a prize they get squirted five times!

Discussion

SAY: In this game you had to listen and follow the leader to win. In life you have to listen and follow God to win.

<u>Ask the students</u>— In the game everyone wanted to go along with the leader. Have you ever been in a group where the leader or the others wanted to do something wrong?

<u>Ask the students</u>—In the game when you didn't do what the leader wanted, you got squirted with water. Have you ever been in a group that would treat you badly if you didn't do what they wanted you to do? Maybe they made fun of you or wouldn't talk to you because you didn't do what they wanted?

<u>Ask the students</u>—What do you think it means to "Go against the flow?" (It means that you are willing to do what's right even if everyone else is doing what's wrong.)

<u>Ask the students</u>—Have you ever walked the wrong way in a crowd—Everyone was going one direction, but you were trying to go the other? (This is what "going against the flow" means. When the "crowd" is going the wrong way, you keep following Jesus and going the right way. You might even want to illustrate this by having one student in your class walk against everyone else, going a different direction.)

Read and discuss Galatians 6:9

SAY: It's not always easy to do what is right, but you'll never regret following Jesus and doing what He says. And even if you're the only one doing what is right, and everyone else is doing wrong, know that you're not alone. Jesus promised that He would always be with you and when you listen to and follow Him, that's when you win in life.

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