

HOPSCOTCH, ANYONE?

WHAT YOU NEED: Bible, paper plates, tape, bean bags or scraps of paper (small objects), hand towel

WHAT YOU DO:

- Using 10 paper plates, write the verse on them;
#1 In this - #2 world - #3 you will - #4 have trouble. - #5 But take - #6 heart!
#7 I have - #8 OVERCOME - #9 the world - #10 John 16:33
- Open the Bible to John 16:33
- Arrange the paper plates in the shape of a hopscotch grid, reading the words as you go. For added safety, you may want to tape the plates to the floor.
- Guide kids to line up near the top of the grid.
- Have first child toss the bean bag/paper wad onto one of the plates, cover that plate with the hand towel so the words can't be seen.
- As they jump through the grid, they should say the verse words as they hop onto each plate remembering the words on the covered plate.
- Play this several times throwing the bean bag/paper wad, covering different plates each time in hopes of remembering the verse.

WHAT YOU SAY:

In our story today, we were reminded that even the disciples were not perfect. Peter denied even *knowing* Jesus. However, Jesus forgave him and even though He knew Peter wasn't perfect He gave Him a job to do. A very important job. He asked Peter to feed His sheep. We know we aren't perfect either, but the same job Jesus gave Peter He gave to us too. We are to go, to tell everyone we can about Jesus. To help them to know who He is and what He did for them just like Peter did. No matter who we are, young, old, rich or poor **"Whatever happens, remember, God has a job for you."**