



GAMES | DAY 3

Bible Story: The Greatest Commandment • Matthew 22:36-40; 1 Corinthians 13

Bottom Line: You can LIVE for God by loving others.

Memory Verse: "Let us keep looking to Jesus. He is the one who started this journey of faith. And he is the one who completes the journey of faith. He paid no attention to the shame of the cross. He suffered there because of the joy he was looking forward to. Then he sat down at the right hand of the throne of God."
Hebrews 12:2a (NIRV)

MOUNTAINS AND VALLEYS

What You Need: plastic cups and tape

In the TAKEOVER Box: plastic cups and tape

What You Do:

- Spread the cones around the floor. Place half of them right side up and the other half upside down.
- Split the kids into two teams.
- Assign one group as Team Mountains (cones upside down) and the other team will be Team Valleys (cones right side up)
- On your "Go," the kids will race all together around the area for a specified amount of time flipping cones to be either mountains or valleys. Team Mountains will flip valley cones into mountains. Team Valleys will flip mountain cones to be valleys.
- All cones are worth one point except for the special cones (the five or six cones of a specific color or with tape on them). Special cones are worth five points.
- Kids must flip a different cone each time. This will keep kids from hovering around only the special cones.
- At the end of the specified time period, count the number of mountain cones and valley cones, making note of the special cones. The team with the most points wins the round.

What You Say:

"What a great job! You guys are really good at this game. This game was a great way to focus on what was most important. The special cones were worth more points, so you had to make sure you stayed focused on them without losing track of the other cones.

"In real life, there are many things that can distract us from what is most important. Jesus made it simple by telling us the most important things to focus on: loving God and loving others. **[Bottom Line] You can LIVE for God by loving others.** When we love others, we show our love for God. **[Make It Personal] (Talk about when someone showed you the love of Jesus and how it made you feel.)** When we show people the love of Jesus by how we treat them, we can point them to Jesus. One of the best ways to LIVE for God is by loving others."