



The Idea Hoarder

For the Activity Collector in You

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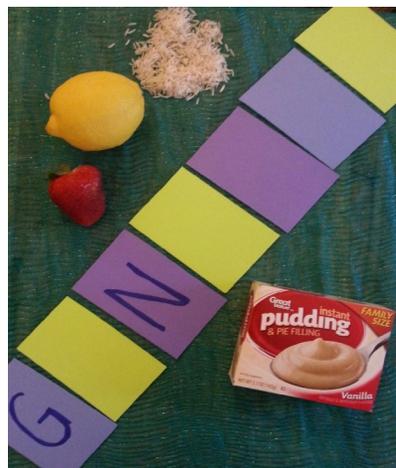
Game MAKE ROOM AT THE TABLE!
A take off of Musical Chairs, this game will combine a snack time and game time to bring home a Bible point. Set the game table with numbered paper plates and place a simple snack on only some of the plates, such as a single vanilla wafer or a few fruit snacks. Set kids around the table and instruct them to move seat to seat without touching the snack until the music is stopped. When the music stops, draw a plate number from a bag and that person has to "make room at the table" by getting up and leaving their chair open. Kids who landed at a snack get a treat! Reset the snacks and play again, eliminating one chair with each round. Provide a snack for everyone while you discuss the idea of someone being so important that you would get up and give them your seat at the dinner table.



Craft TEA-RIFFIC THANK YOU NOTE!
Kids can make an oversized tea bag to hold a gift of kindness for a family friend. Fold a sheet of white tissue paper into thirds so that you have a long strip. Fold the strip in half. Drop a tea bag, a packet of sugar or honey, and a plastic spoon inside. Fold the tops of the teabag over to form a point and staple shut (see picture). Staple a string to the top of the newly assembled oversized tea bag. On the opposite end of the string, attach a cardstock tag that says, "You are a TEA-RIFFIC friend!" on one side and "from the 'Your Last Name's'" on the other side. Encourage them to work with their parents to decide on an adult friend of the family that might like a kind note. Discuss how friends of your family are loved by everyone in the family. Find Bible stories about how a close friend loves you and even loves your family!



Bible Skill HUNGRY GAME
Print out the alphabet on a set of index cards. Make sure that there are extras for the most common letters (several E's, R's, T's etc.) Kids should not be able to see letters through the back of the card. Lay out the letters of a book of the Bible, face down. Kids take turns guessing letters by saying a food that starts with the letter they want to guess. For example, "I sure am hungry for some Grapes!" (G) If there is a G in the book of the Bible, flip that letter card over. Play until kids guess the book. This is a basic skill game that helps kids recognize the correct spelling of the books of the Bible as they practice saying them to win the round! Use this lesson on a day that you want to emphasize a special meal in the story.



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