## Bible Verse Games

1. Teamwork

Materials: Chalkboard, chalk, eraser, marker, scissors, extra pieces of boxboard/chipboard.
Directions:

- Write the complete verse on the chalkboard in three or four short lines and number each line.

1. But grow in the grace
2. Lord and Savior
3. and knowledge of our
4. Jesus Christ.

- Write the numbers 1 to 4 on four separate pieces of extra boxboard, about $4 \times 6$ inches each.
- Explain the verse and then recite it with the students.
- Divide the students into three or four teams depending on the number of lines you have written.
- Give each team a number card. This becomes their team number.
- The students will all recite together the address of the verse before and after the verse.
- The teams will then recite only the words of the verse that are the same as their team number.
- After reciting the verse two or three times, take the numbers away and give all the teams a new number card. This is now their new team number.
- Now, recite the verse again with the students using the new line of their new team number.
- Continue reciting and switching team numbers until all the students have had a chance to use all the different team numbers.
- Take away all the team numbers and recite the verse together as a class.
- Have several students stand in the front and recite the verse one at a time.

Variation:
Materials: Boxboard/chipboard, marker, scissors.

- Write the complete verse on a large piece of boxboard/chipboard instead of on the chalkboard. Write it in three or four lines. Number each line just like on the chalkboard.
- Cut the verse apart so that each line is on a separate piece of boxboard/chipboard.
- Choose one student from each team to hold one line of the verse.
- Play just like the chalkboard game until all students have been on all the teams.

2. Time to Exercise

Materials: Chalkboard, chalk, eraser.

## Directions:

- Write the complete verse on the chalkboard.
- Explain the verse and recite it with the students.
- Repeat the verse again and again in order for the students to learn the verse.
- Each time the verse is repeated, have the students do an exercise: jog, jump, march, hop, skip, do jumping jacks, touch your toes, twist at the hips, and so forth. This should always be done in one place. Do not let the students run around the room.
- Have several students stand in the front and recite the verse one at a time.

Variation 1:

- Choose one student to stand at the front of the room facing the other students.
- That student will choose an exercise and begin doing it.
- The other students in the class will follow the exercise the student is doing while reciting the verse.
- Repeat this until several different students have had a chance to stand at the front.

Variation 2:

- Have the students stand and find a partner.
- Tell the students to recite the verse while doing a silly exercise with their partner:

Hold their partner's ears, shoulders, nose, elbows, knees,...
Shake their partner's hands, elbows, shoulders, knees,...

- Repeat this until several different silly exercises have been done.


