Kidz World's Church at Home

Blast Off! - Spending Time With Others

FUN TIME: Balloon Bop (All ages)

For this activity, you'll need towels, balloons (or a soft ball), painter's tape or a laundry basket. Before you start, use masking tape to create a target on one wall or the floor. Or you can use the laundry basket. Split your children into teams and give each team a towel and an inflated balloon. Each team member must hold one corner of the towel and they must work together to bop the balloon across the room and into the target/basket. Play for as long as you like, and try switching up different teams for different rounds. For single players, time them to see how many targets they can make.

<u>BIBLE TIME</u>: This was a great game to see the importance of teamwork. When you worked with each other, you scored! God wants us to 'score' in life too. Last week we started talking about four habits, things we do over and over, that we need to develop in order to grow. These habits also help us do well in life. The first one was **spending time with God**. This week, we're going to look at **spending time with others**. God has designed us to work as a team. We need each other so that we can "launch" our faith in Jesus to new heights. Let's look at a Bible story that gives us an example of how good friends will help us grow in our faith.

Use the Bible verses and questions below to discuss this with your children. For toddlers and preschoolers, simply share the answers to these questions with them as you read the Bible story. Keep it short and sweet for them ©.

- 1. **Read Mark 2:1-12.** Discuss what these men did to help their friend. Why do you think they wanted to help their friend?
- 2. How did these men help their friend grow in his relationship with God?
- 3. What happened to the man as he put his faith in Jesus?

<u>REAL TIME:</u> Read 1 Thessalonians 5:11. How can you encourage and build someone up today?

Let's pray and ask God to show us who we can serve this week. We'll write down their names and what we believe God is telling us to do for them.

<u>PRAYER TIME:</u> "Heavenly Father, thank that we can be a blessing to someone by encouraging them. Show us who we can build up this week and what we can do to encourage them. Help us to work as a Team for your glory. In Jesus' Name, Amen!"

"So encourage each other and build each other up...."

1 Thessalonians 5:11 (NLT)