

# ELEMENTARY ACTIVITY GUIDE

**CHARACTER TRAIT:** DISCERNMENT

**FINISH LINE:** Choose God's way and obey

**SCRIPTURE:** Acts 9:1-19

## ACTIVITY 1: MEMORY VERSE GAME

**SUPPLIES:** Ball to either toss or kick

**EXPLAIN:** All you need for this game is a ball. Say one phrase of the verse. Have your child repeat the phrase with you. Then, toss (or kick) a ball back and forth. As you toss the ball, say one word of the phrase. Your child will catch the ball and toss it back to you, saying the next word. Play again, varying who starts the phrase, until your child knows the phrase by memory. Then, repeat this game with the next phrase of the verse and continue until you both know the whole verse!

**Multiple kids?** Stand in a circle and toss or kick a ball back and forth as you say the words. You can choose to have the whole group or individuals say the words with each pass.

**MEMORY VERSE:** "Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding. Seek His will in all you do, and He will show you which path to take." **PROVERBS 3:5-6 NLT**

## ACTIVITY 2: LESSON REVIEW

**SUPPLIES:** None

**DIRECTIONS:** This week we are going to play a familiar game to illustrate our Finish Line. Choose someone to be "Simon." That person will give everyone else various actions to do. However, the other people can only do the action if "Simon" says, "Simon says..." before giving the action. If "Simon" does not say, "Simon says..." but someone does the action anyway, that person is out. Play until only one person is left, which makes them the winner. The winner will become "Simon" for the next round.

**WRAP UP:** After you have played several rounds, talk about how you need to use discernment in this game. Why do they have to stop and think? What happens if they are not listening? Who are they looking to for direction before choosing to act? What are some ways they can use the principles from Simon Says in their daily lives this week? *(Review the memory verse and definition for discernment to help think through the last question.)*