

# Silent Ball

## Materials

- ☐ One medium-size ball

## Instructions

*Have students stand or sit in a circle. Without making any noise, students will quickly pass the ball by tossing or rolling it to someone else in the circle. Once a student has the ball, he must pass it on as quickly as possible.*

*Students may use facial expressions or signs, such as pointing, to show whom they have chosen to catch the ball. Anyone who speaks, laughs, or makes any other noise is out of the game. The last person left is the winner.*

## Suggested Discussion

In this game, you had to keep silent. But you were still able to let your friends know with your face and with hand motions that you were passing the ball.

The 400 years between the Old and New Testaments are sometimes called the “Silent Years” because God did not speak any new words through his prophets.

But God still spoke to his people through his written Word. The people could read God’s laws and know how to obey him. They could also read God’s promises and know that God would one day send his Son, Jesus, to be our Savior. Four hundred years was a long time to wait, and many events happened during those years. But God used those events to get the world ready for Jesus.