

# Idol Elimination

## Materials

- ☐ Balled up sheets of paper or foam balls, two or more per student
- ☐ Masking tape or cones
- ☐ Timer

## Instructions

*Use tape or cones to create a dividing line in the center of the room. Divide class into teams and have them stand on opposite sides of the line. Place foam balls/crumpled papers equally on the floor on each side.*

*Explain that the balls represent the idols that Josiah destroyed throughout the land. Teams will be racing to pick up and toss the foam/paper “idols” onto the other side of the room. But, the other team will be doing the same thing!*

*When you say “Go,” both teams will throw balls from their side to the other team’s side. When you say “Stop” (after about 30 seconds), students must freeze while you count the balls on each side. The team with the fewest number of balls on their side wins. Play several rounds adding more balls or changing the time limit.*

## Suggested Discussion

Josiah worked hard to get rid of idols in the kingdom of Judah. He tore down altars, smashed the idols, and even ground them to powder! Josiah was faithful to God. He was serious about getting rid of sin from the land.

We may not have statues of idols around us now, but we can still put things above God. Like Josiah, we should be careful to get rid of anything in our lives that become more important to us than God.