

# Siege Zone

## Materials

- ☐ Two buttons/game pieces
- ☐ Siege Zone Game Board (next page)
- ☐ One set of Siege Zone Cards (following pages)
- ☐ Two dice

## Instructions

*NOTE: This game is set up so that the Assyrians will win. But keep it a secret.*

*Print one game board and one set of cards. Cut out the cards and keep the Assyrian and Israelite cards in separate, numbered piles. Place the game board on a table or on the floor where the students can gather around. Place the game pieces on the two tracks of the game board.*

*Choose a student to go first. Have him roll the dice. If he rolls an **odd number**, draw an **Israelite card** and read it out loud. Have the student move the game piece on the **inside track** according to the number of spaces indicated on the card. If the student rolls an **even number**, draw a card from the **Assyrian deck**, read it, and have the student move the game piece on the **outside track** according to the number of spaces indicated on the card.*

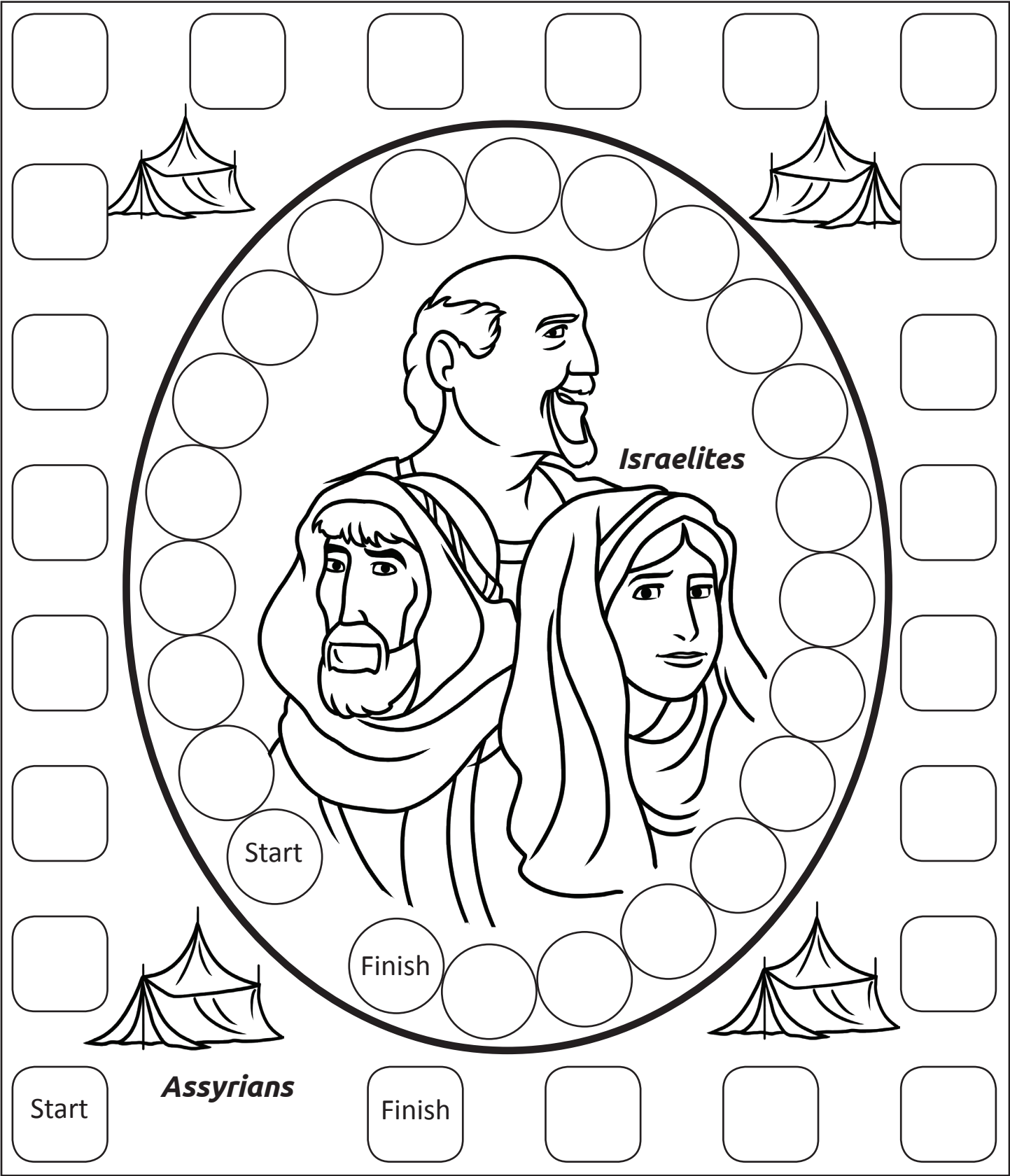
*Continue allowing students to roll the dice until all the cards are read only once. **Do not reuse the cards!** If the Israelite cards are used up before the Assyrian cards, allow students to reroll until they get an even number. The game is set up so that only the Assyrians will reach their Finish space on the game board.*

## Suggested Discussion

- ? Who won the game? *Assyrians.*
- ? The Assyrians won because they conquered Israel. But who gave them the victory over Israel? *God.*

*Yes, it was the Lord who used the Assyrians to accomplish his purpose, which was to judge Israel.*

- ? Why did God have to judge Israel? *Because of their sin.*



1

### Assyrian

You join the Assyrian army and move south, overtaking Israel as you travel.

**Move ahead one space.**

2

### Assyrian

You have successfully surrounded Samaria.

**Move ahead two spaces.**

3

### Assyrian

You have set up camp around Samaria and are determined to stay put until Israel surrenders.

**Move ahead two spaces.**

4

### Assyrian

Your army has blocked all access in and out of the large walled city of Samaria.

**Move ahead one space.**

5

### Assyrian

You are warm by your fire on cold nights.  
You are ready to keep waiting.

**Move ahead two spaces.**

6

### Assyrian

You and the other Assyrian soldiers have plenty of food and water. You are prepared to wait longer.

**Move ahead two spaces.**

7

### Assyrian

You have besieged Samaria for two years so far.  
You wonder when they will run out of supplies.

**Move ahead one space.**

8

### Assyrian

You see and hear fewer and fewer signs of life beyond the walls of Samaria.

**Move ahead three spaces.**

9

### Assyrian

You think the end to this siege will be soon and Israel will give up.

**Move ahead four spaces.**

10

### Assyrian

The siege has ended. Now it's time to force the Israelites in Samaria to move to Assyria.

**Move ahead four spaces to win.**

1

Israelite

You realize the Assyrians are attacking Israel, so you run to the walled city of Samaria where you think you'll be safe.

Move ahead two spaces.

2

Israelite

You hide in a small room a relative offers along the back wall of Samaria.

Move ahead two spaces.

3

Israelite

You spend your days waiting and watching, wondering if the Assyrians are going to attack.

Move ahead one space.

4

Israelite

You realize the Assyrian army has settled in as if they are going to see how long your supplies will last.

Move ahead one space.

5

Israelite

You are sent to measure the supplies and to try to figure out how much longer the water will last.

Move ahead two spaces.

6

Israelite

You have heard that some Israelites have died. You wonder how long you can live without food.

Move ahead three spaces.

7

Israelite

You pray to your wooden gods, but they don't hear you.

Move ahead one space.

8

Israelite

You are tired and weak from lack of food and water.

Move ahead two spaces.

9

Israelite

You gather up a few belongings and join those who are leaving to surrender to the Assyrians.

Move ahead two spaces.

10

Israelite

Your life is spared, but you are forced to move to a city far away.

Move ahead two spaces.