

Hide It Quick!

Materials

- ☐ Small objects (e.g., beanbags, plastic eggs, small balls, etc.) for each student on one team
- ☐ Timer

Instructions

Divide the class into two teams: the Israelites and the Midianites. Explain that the Israelites will hide their objects as fast as they can before the Midianites come. Then the Midianites will search for the objects and see how many they can find before the timer goes off.

Have the Midianites group together in an area away from the Israelites so they can't see where the objects are hidden. Give one small object to each student on the Israelites' team. Instruct the Israelites to hide their objects when you say, "Here come the Midianites, hide it quick!"

Allow one minute for the students to hide their objects then call in the Midianites to find them. Set the timer for 2 or 3 minutes. Once the time has run out, have the Midianites count up the number of objects found and score that many points. Switch teams and repeat. Play as many rounds as you have time for then total the scores.

Suggested Discussion

God allowed the Midianites to come in and steal from the Israelites as punishment for disobeying God.

- ?** What sin were the Israelites doing? *Worshipping false gods/idols.*

They forgot about the one true God and were worshipping false gods. So God punished them to help them understand that they needed to repent and obey him.