Fill the Silo Relay

Materials

Styrofoam or plastic cups
Spoons
Uncooked rice or popcorn kernels in bowls/containers
Table or chairs
Masking tape
Optional: timer

Instructions

Divide class into relay teams.

Set up a table or chairs at the far side of the room. Place one cup for each team on the table or chairs. Use masking tape to mark a starting line at the other end of the room. Place one bowl of rice or popcorn kernels by each team at the starting line and give a spoon to the first students in line.

Explain that the first person in line for each team will use his spoon to scoop the grain (rice or popcorn) and race to the other side, trying not to spill any, and place it in his team's "silo" (cup). He will then return the spoon to the next person in line, who will scoop some grain and do the same. Continue for a set time, until each student runs, or until a team fills their cup. The team with the most grain in their silo or who fills their silo first wins.

Suggested Discussion

A silo is a big building used to store grain. Joseph collected grain during the years of plenty and then used that grain to keep people from starving during the years of famine. God used Joseph's brothers to get Joseph to Egypt, where he would be able to save his family and others by giving them grain. God worked out something bad (being sold into slavery) into something good (saving people from a famine). God is great!