

Old Versus New

Materials

- ☐ Masking tape or sidewalk chalk (if playing outdoors)
- ☐ Old Vs. New Statements
- ☐ Optional: prizes or treats for the winner(s)

Instructions

Use masking tape to mark a long line on the floor in the middle of the classroom or an open area. If playing outdoors, draw the line using sidewalk chalk. Designate one side of the line as "Old" and the other side as "New." The line will be the starting point for each round.

Have students line up facing you on the line. Read the Old vs. New Statements, one at a time, changing up the order. Students must jump to the correct side based on if the statement applies to the old covenant or the new covenant. If they jump to the wrong place, they are out. Make the game challenging by picking up the pace, having the same side called several times in a row, or making the last student who jumps to the side be out. The last student left wins the game. Award a prize or treat to the winner(s), if desired.

For a noncompetitive version, allow students who get a wrong answer to sit out for one statement then join back in the game.

Suggested Discussion

The old covenant was very different from the new covenant God described in the book of Jeremiah. I will read a statement, and you must decide if it describes the old or the new covenant and jump to that side. Let's see how you do!

Old Vs. New Statements

1. Included the Ten Commandments. *Old*
2. Given by God to the Israelites in the Old Testament. *Old*
3. Described by the prophet Jeremiah to give the exiles hope. *New*
4. Written on stone tablets. *Old*
5. A personal covenant that people desire to keep in their hearts. *New*
6. Promised a Redeemer to save us from our sins. *New*
7. Included a system of animal sacrifices made by priests to cover sin. *Old*
8. Offers complete forgiveness to those who turn from sin and trust in Jesus. *New*
9. Required sacrifices made by sinful priests. *Old*
10. Required the sacrifice of one perfect high priest. *New*
11. Ended the sacrificial system. *New*
12. Offered complete forgiveness of sins as a gift. *New*
13. Could not take away sin. *Old*
14. Impossible to keep all the required laws. *Old*
15. Made through the death and resurrection of Jesus. *New*