



BACKGROUND

This game is an adaptation of the old 'Chinese whispers' game and great ice breaker for the start of a family workshop that gets parents and children engaged! More importantly, it provides a valuable 'hook' to start a conversation about how the Good News and practice of our faith has been passed down through the centuries.

In this adaptation, keep the messages connected to stories from scripture. You can expect that these will get mixed up along the way, but that's part of the fun! Thankfully, the important messages of faith passed onto us have remained very clear!

INSTRUCTIONS

How to Play

- Form a Line or Circle - Everyone sits or stands in a line or circle so they can whisper to the person next to them. Make sure it's whispered softly so others can't hear!
- Start the Whisper - The leader chooses a sentence based on scripture and whispers it quietly to the next person.
- Pass It Along - Each person whispers what they heard to the next person. No repeating allowed—just one whisper per person.
- Last Person Reveals - The final person says the phrase out loud. Compare it to the original phrase and enjoy the funny changes!

Some suggested messages to get you started:

Short and Simple

1. Jesus walked on water.
2. The shepherd found the lost sheep.
3. The wise men followed the star.
4. Jesus fed five thousand people.
5. The angel said, "Do not be afraid."

Medium Difficulty

1. Peter stepped out of the boat to meet Jesus.
2. Zacchaeus climbed a tree to see Jesus passing by.
3. The Good Samaritan helped the injured man on the road.
4. Jesus turned water into wine at the wedding in Cana.
5. The disciples were afraid during the storm on the lake.

Challenging and Fun

1. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God.
2. The prodigal son returned home and his father welcomed him with joy.
3. Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them."
4. The crowd shouted "Hosanna!" as Jesus entered Jerusalem on a donkey.
5. The angel rolled away the stone from the tomb on Easter morning.