

Belly Ball

TOPIC : *Justice*

SCRIPTURE : *Matthew 20:1-16*

SUPPLIES : *beach ball, masking tape, large empty trash can*

Using masking tape, create a line on the floor for participants to stand behind. Place a large empty trash can several feet in front of this line. Have the group form two teams.

Tell participants that in this game, each player will stand behind the line and try to make a basket in the trash can by bouncing the beach ball off his or her belly. The team with the most baskets will win.

After teams play the game once, tell participants they're going to play again. This time, all the girls can shoot the basket normally, while boys continue bouncing the ball off their stomachs.

DISCUSSION

- How did you feel when I told you the girls were allowed to use their hands to make a basket?
- What are some things in life you feel are unfair?
- Read Matthew 20:1-16. In what ways has God demonstrated that he is fair and just?
- Have you ever felt like the first shift workers in this passage, frustrated with God for something that seemed to be unfair?
- How has God shown grace to you by giving you something you didn't deserve?