

We Are Family

TOPIC: *Family*

SCRIPTURE: *Genesis 25:24-34*

SUPPLIES: *2 foam balls of different colors or sizes*

Have everyone form a circle. (If you have a large group, have teenagers form groups of ten to fifteen and have each group form its own circle.) Give the foam balls to two people in the circle.

Encourage teenagers to get the feel of passing the balls around the circle to the left, then to the right. After a minute or so, begin the game. Everyone in the circle must pass one ball (designate which color or size) to the right. The other ball, however, can be thrown across the circle. Whenever someone has both balls at the same time, that person must say something affirming about the people on his or her left and right. Then have teenagers begin passing and tossing the balls again.

Continue play until most, or all, people have had an opportunity to say something about others in the circle.

DISCUSSION

- In what ways did this game help us to appreciate one another better?
- Why do you think it can be difficult for us to affirm the people in our families?