

SATAN ATTACK

Spiritual Goals

- Grasp that daily battles are not against flesh and blood
- Recognize temptation as a spiritual attack
- Understand the purpose of memorizing scripture
- Practice blocking temptation with scripture

Game Objective

To block Satan's attacks and get 3 in a row on a tic-tac-toe board

Materials

Satan Attack Cards

Tic-tac-toe board with checkers (or paper/pen)

Bible/Concordance

Preparation

If using paper and pen, then draw a 3x3, 4x4 or 5x5 tic-tac-toe grid.

Playing the Game

- Shuffle the Satan Attack Cards and place the deck face down to form a draw pile.
- One player, preferably an adult, plays the role of Satan, while the other players form the team of Christians under spiritual attack.
- The player representing Satan *attacks* the other players by drawing a Satan Attack Card, saying, "Satan is attacking you. He wants you to ..." and reading the temptation aloud. "Satan" then places a checker/draws an X on the tic-tac-toe board.
- The Christians collectively attempt to block the attack by saying, "It is written..." and providing an appropriate scripture from memory that effectively blocks the temptation.
- If the Christians come up with an appropriate scripture, then they may block the attack by positioning a checker or marking a cross on the board.

- If the Christians cannot block Satan with an appropriate scripture*, then Satan gets to attack them again with the same temptation by placing a second checker or X on the board. The Christians then have the opportunity (with the help of adults) to use the Bible/Concordance to look up a scripture that could block Satan's attack. When they find one, they say, "It is written...", read the verse aloud, and then place their check or mark their cross on the board.

***Restrictions on Scriptural Blocks:** Some verses such as "Keep your tongue from evil," and "Do to others as you would have them do to you," can appropriately block many temptations, but may only be used once in each game.

To Win

Stand your ground by blocking all of Satan's attacks, preventing him from getting 3 in a row (if possible, get three in a row).

Target Age: 7+

Including Younger Children:

Younger children may easily play as part of the Christian team. Allow younger children to use verses more than once during a game.

Challenging Older Children:

Require older children to tell you where the verse is located in scripture.

Tip: Use this game to determine what scriptures should be emphasized during the week, and add new scriptures to the deck of Scripture Cards.