Ezra's Review Bounce

Print one copy for your use during the review activity.

Bring in a rubber playground ball. Have the children stand in a circle. Ask a question. Have the students raise their hands if they know the answer. Choose one student to bounce the ball to. When the student has answered, he can bounce the ball back to you. Continue through the questions, allowing different students to catch the ball and bounce it back to you. If time allows, repeat the questions, allowing other students to participate.

- 1. What book of the Bible did we read from today? Ezra.
- 2. Where did Ezra go? Ezra 8:31. Jerusalem.
- 3. Who was Ezra leading home? Ezra 8:31. Jews from Babylon/Persia.
- 4. Whose hand was upon Ezra as he traveled to Jerusalem? Ezra 8:31. God's hand.

Listen as I read Ezra 7:10. It will help you answer the next 3 questions. "For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the Law of the Lord, and to do it, and to teach statutes and ordinances in Israel."

- 5. What did Ezra prepare his heart to do? Seek the law of the Lord.
- **6.** And another thing Ezra prepared himself to do? Do the Law of the Lord.
- 7. And the third thing he prepared himself for? To teach the Law of the Lord.
- 8. When Ezra got back to Jerusalem what did he find? The people were not obeying God.
- 9. What were the people doing wrong? Marrying people who did not worship God alone.
- 10. What did Ezra do when he found out about the people's sin? It seemed like an odd thing to do. Ezra 9:3. He tore his robe and plucked out hair from his head and his beard.
- 11. What was Ezra doing as he fell on his knees and spread out his hands to the Lord? Ezra 9:5. Praying.
- 12. Ezra and the people were upset about their sin. What did they do when they heard Ezra's prayer? Ezra 10:1. Wept and cried.
- 13. Did the people repent and listen to Ezra? Yes.

