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Dependence -
The Need for God

Devotional

4 CALL MY NAME

THIRD DAY

1 Start Up

For this game, you will need duct tape, a few Nerf balls, and some cotton balls. Divide your students into teams and designate one student from each team as the "target." Have a leader wrap the "target" in duct tape, sticky side out. The idea is for the team to take the available Nerf and cotton balls and aim them at their duct-taped peer. When a Nerf ball sticks, have an adult pluck it off and toss it back to the team. The cotton balls can stay on. Nerf balls are two points and cotton balls are worth three. The team with the most Nerf and cotton balls stuck on their target wins.

2 Get Focused

Ask your students to think of a time in which their name was called out in an honorable way. Maybe they were selected by their teacher to be a class leader. Maybe they were given an award in a public setting.

Maybe a friend came to them and asked their advice. Or maybe one of their peers selected them to play on their team in gym class. Ask them how it felt to have their name called in this way. Were they annoyed? Embarrassed? Did they refuse the honor or need for help? Play the song, "Call My Name," and discuss with them how God must feel when we, as His children, call His name.

Isaiah 30:18

- 1) God is "waiting around" for us to call on Him so that He can show us His grace.
- 2) The strength of God is used on US!
- 3) When we call on Him, we can be confident that His timing is absolutely perfect.
- 4) Those who call upon God have special favor.

3 Winding Down

Discuss with your students the ways in which they have, up until today, viewed God and His attitude towards them. Ask them to picture God "waiting around" for them. What does that look like? Why would God do that? When it doesn't seem like God is listening to us, how can we be confident that He does hear us and is, in fact, answering?

Break your students into small groups and assign to them a Bible and a specific Bible character who at one time or another called upon God (David, Moses, Abraham, etc.). After a short time reading about their particular character, have them tell this character's story to the rest of the group. What did he or she call upon God for? What was God's response? How was this person affected by God's response? Can we, as God's children, only call on Him with requests? Why else might we want to call His name?