SESSION 6

FUNDAMENTAL #4 : JOINING TEAM JESUS Responding To The Offer On The Table



Biblical Lessons for Students, Athletes & More

WOODEN WISDOM

"I have always tried make it clear that basketball is not the ultimate.

It is of small importance in comparison to the total life we live.

There is only one kind of life that truly wins,
and that is the one that places faith in the hands of the Savior."

John Wooden

CHAPTER SIX - GROUP EXPERIENCE

"JOINING TEAM JESUS - RESPONDING TO THE OFFER ON THE TABLE"



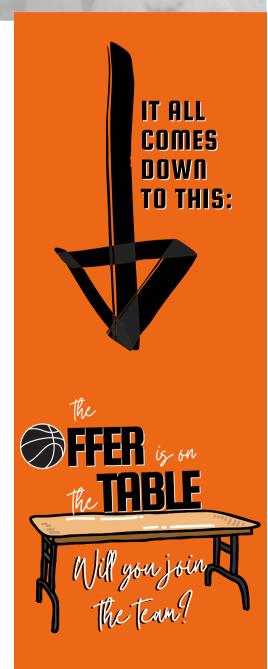
Leader:

Decide how you would like to cover chapter six. I recommend having the group read chapter six on their own. As they read, they can take the time to seriously ponder the question, "Have I ever made a firm commitment to live my life for Jesus; to make him the Lord over my life, and live each day for Him, not myself?"

Once your group has completed the chapter, have them call, text, or email you if they prayed a "post-game victory prayer" for the first time. Then celebrate this decision! Reiterate to the group that there is no such thing as a "magic prayer," and that salvation is a matter of the heart, not a matter of words.

However, if your group is small, and the members have built a strong trust-relationship with one another, you could read this chapter together and even talk about the recruitment process, as it relates to basketball and the Christian life.

Any time a person places their faith in Jesus Christ, there has to be a "next steps" plan in order for that person to grow in their faith. This is part of the process we call discipleship; a process of learning biblical precepts, guiding the learner towards living righteously as a follower of Jesus Christ. Fundamental #5, (chapter seven), answers the question, "I've given my life to Christ, now what?" It details five steps to get started in that journey of faith and discipleship. It's a crucial step for *all* Believers so don't skip past it!



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