

DOING SPORTS GOD'S WAY – AMBITION

① Warm up

WATCH SESSION 3: Doing Sports God's Way: Ambition

Length 4:01: View at Nebraskafca.org

② Workout

Key Teaching in Lesson:

- In Christ the ambition of our life is to give God the glory.
- Only by the power of the HS can we truly glorify God in competition.

■ What stood out to you in the video? Why?

■ What is glory? (The dictionary definition is: very great praise, honor, or distinction.)

■ What does Kurt mean that we are all "glory junkies?" What are some ways we steal the glory that belongs to God for ourselves in sports? Why does it seem like it's never enough?

■ Read Romans 1:20-21. Why should it be clear to us that God is deserving of this glory? When we seek the glory for ourselves how does that affect the way we are seeing and honoring God?

■ What does it mean to honor God in your sport? Do you give thanks even after a defeat?

■ Read Peter 4:10-11. What does it mean to use your gifts and serve God by the strength that He supplies?

■ Read John 15:1-5. What does the branch depend on the vine for? How does this help us understand how we depend on the Holy Spirit? Is it possible for a Christian athlete or coach to bear no fruit? How does Jesus through the Holy Spirit help us overcome temptation and instead bear fruit that results in glory to God?

■ Read Matthew 5:13-16. What might cause an athlete to lose their saltiness in the sports world? How can you let your light shine in sports? When you receive praise for being a light and salt, what should you do with that?

■ Going public with God's infinite worth means putting God's character on display so that others might give God the glory He deserves! If this is true what does this say about why we do sports? What about the way we do sports?

③ Wrap-up

Music: Lyrics on reverse side. Download music at nebraskafca.org

LIVE OUT - Theme song. Key thoughts – Your beliefs, your foundation, and your priorities will be evident in your life. You are chasing, worshiping, and representing something all the time. Is it Jesus? Does Christ's love and lordship define your life? What are the idols you've been pursuing? There's only room for ONE on the throne in your life.

Overpopulated soul
there's crowding on the throne
'cause you're chasin' idols down
And draggin' treasures home
You're messin' up priorities
To live for lesser things
And everything you think you hide
Is really plain to see

CHORUS

What you lift up
You're gonna live out
What your heart holds
You're gonna give out
What you love most
Is what your life shouts
What you lift up
You're gonna live out

No matter how you justify
Still it's evident
What your heart is beating for
And who you represent
'Cause you can sit and talk about
the things that you believe
but if your life don't back it up
polished words are cheap

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