

PLAYING



Jesus



A Basketball Bible Study

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Learn the Playbook



Pre-Game

How do you best learn the offense, the defenses, and out of bounds plays?

All Bible passages and questions were adopted from the New Living Translation (NLT).



Read **2 Timothy 3:16-17**... What is the purpose of learning your team's offense, defenses, and out of bounds plays? What is the purpose of God's 'playbook'?



Read **Psalm 33:4**...God's playbook holds _____ and we can _____ everything He does. Have you ever not trusted your team's strategy and plays? Why?



Read **Matthew 13:22**...Your basketball team's strategy is important to know but it is also important to understand the purpose behind it. What is the purpose behind your team's strategy? What is the purpose of God's playbook?



Read **Hebrews 4:12**...How are you using God's most important piece of equipment in your life? How can you use it on the basketball court & in the locker room?

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Jump Ball

What drills and strategy need the most repetition? Why?

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Read Deuteronomy 6:4-9... Why is repetition of the fundamentals necessary for your team's strategy? Why is repetition of God's commands a necessary faith fundamental?



Read Judges 5:11... Why is repetition of fundamentals in practice important when recounting things during the heat of a game? Why is recounting victories in God an important daily fundamental?



Read Philippians 4:4... Always be full of _____ in the Lord. I say it _____—rejoice! Why is repetition so important in both our basketball & faith fundamentals?



Read Matthew 7:7... How do you 'keep' getting better at the game of basketball? How do you 'keep' getting better throughout your faith journey?

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Triple-Double

The eight laws of learning are explanation, demonstration, imitation, repetition, repetition, repetition, repetition, repetition.
-John Wooden

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THE WAY: Read Matthew 21:18-22... Do you trust your team's strategy? What builds that trust? What happens when you have faith and don't doubt?



THE TRUTH: Read Jeremiah 17:7-8... Do you have confidence and hope in your team's game plan? Why or why not? What is the result of trust in the Lord?



THE LIFE: Read 1 Corinthians 12:12-13... How can this statement of one body by one Spirit compare to basketball preparation and executing the team's strategy?



Read Matthew 17:14-20... How can faith and trust as small as a mustard seed affect your basketball game and life?

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Buzzer Beater

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Praise

Give God glory for who He is. (Psalm 146:1-2)

What can you praise God for in your drill work or team strategy?

Repent

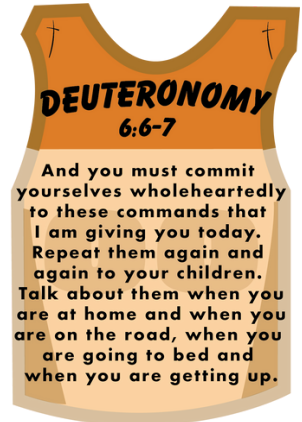
Ask for forgiveness of your sins & for strength to repent. (1 John 1:9)

What do you need to repent from in your drill work or strategy?

Recite

Memorize this lesson's verse.

HIGHLIGHT another verse from this lesson that spoke to you and commit it to memory. (2 Timothy 3:16-17)



Ask

Pray for others - your family & friends, your basketball community, your faith community, and your enemies. (Philippians 4:6-7)

How can you apply this lesson to all areas of your life?

Yield

Trust God - Remember His way & His time. (Romans 12:12)

What drill work & strategy do you need to yield to God?