

Gospel-Centered Coaches Training

Session One

The Ultimate Question for a Coach

Why We Need to Ask WHY?

Behavior is trumped by _____

Asking why exposes those motivations.

Why Are You Coaching?

Common Answers

- To spend time with my children
- To reach kids
- To have fun
- I like to coach
- To win
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The problem with these answers

- Winning is an outcome you cannot fully control & winning as a goal can easily distract us from other/greater goals.

With winning as a goal, you can easily end up with

Sports Ministry

- Many of these other goals are good but incomplete ones and should never be ultimate ones.

“Most people know you can make a god out of money. Most know you can make a god out of sex. However, anything in life can serve as n idol, a God-alternative, a counterfeit god.”

Tim Keller, Counterfeit Gods

Idolatry comes when we make a good thing into an ultimate thing.

Why Does God Want You to Coach?

*“So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God.”
1 Corinthians 10:31*

Glory means

Flame

Fame

Whatever you do...

Do it all...

Coaching for the glory of God means attempting to display the character of God in every aspect and in every moment of my coaching.

Coaching for the glory of God doesn't begin with injection.

We don't inject Ministry into Sports.

We don't inject Sports into Ministry.

Coaching for the glory of God begins with integration.

Why Coach? *To spread the fame of his greatness*

How Do We Do That? *By displaying God's character & integrating Sports and Ministry*

Discussion Questions

1. What are some of the reasons you are coaching?
2. What reaction do you have to the speaker's point about winning – "It is a bad goal but a good desire?"
3. What does a coach look like whose reason for coaching is his own glory?
4. How would you explain what it means to coach for the glory of God?
5. What would a coach look like whose reason for coaching was the glory of God?
6. What are the obstacles to coaching for the glory of God?
7. How are you going to overcome those obstacles as you continue to coach?
8. How has God used this topic to challenge you?

What Are 3D Integrated Devotionals?