

# GLORY

## My Glory vs. God's Glory

- Deuteronomy 8:10-18 (be careful that you do not forget the Lord)
- Jeremiah 9:23-24 (let him who boasts boast in the Lord)
- Proverbs 30:7-9 (those are successful may disown God)
- Luke 19:11-27 (well done good and faithful servant)
- John 3:30 (he must become greater, I must become less)
- 1 Corinthians 10:31 (for the glory of God)
- 2 Corinthians 10:17 (let him who boasts boast in the Lord)
- Philippians 2:1-4 (true humility)

Do you play/coach to seek fame for yourself or for God? When times are “good” we often begin to take credit for what is happening and become proud that our own hard work and cleverness have made us successful. Recognition is dangerous – it can lead to inflated pride. We must remember it is God who gives us everything and it is God who asks us to manage it for him. How much better it is to seek the praise of God rather than the praise of people. How much better it is to let God become greater while we become less.

How do we let God become greater while playing/coaching? We intentionally try to display the character of God in the things we do and say. Some examples include:

- Love your enemies
- Be humble
- Be patient
- Strive together with your opponent rather than trying to crush them
- Be prepared
- Play with all of your heart
- Have the same attitude as that of Jesus
- Encourage one another
- Be thankful
- Make sure everyone on your team feels included
- Appreciate good plays from your teammates and opponents
- Look to the interest of others above your own
- Be joyful
- Go the extra mile (do more than expected *after* you've done what is expected)

Are you a transformational or transactional coach? Which one do you want to be?

- **Transactional Coaches (for my glory)** focus solely on winning and meeting their personal needs.
- **Transformational Coaches (for God's glory)** use their platform. They teach the Xs and Os, but also teach the Ys of life. They help young people grow into responsible adults; they leave a lasting legacy.