

Make Wise Choices

Wisdom for a Young Head Coach

Week 12

I Timothy 5:22-25

Discussion Questions:

- What are some dangers that go along with hastily choosing staff members? (v.22) *You could share in their foolish decisions and behavior.*
- What might a Head Coach do that would have him share in the guilt of a staff member's foolish actions? (v.22) *He could ignore an obvious flaw of character or a pattern of behavior that's easily seen before his hiring.*
- How does a coach maintain his purity when others on the staff may be very impure? *Abstain from participation in the impure behaviors or attitudes?*
- What is required for your well being that others may see as a weakness or otherwise criticize your use of it? (v.23) *A minimum amount of sleep, prescriptions, a special diet?*
- What coach(es) do you know whose errors were quickly met with exposure and judgement? (v.24) *A coach who got caught cheating, recruiting violations, drug abuse?*
- What coach(es) do you know whose errors stayed hidden from public view until his/her retirement or death? *A coach in an extra-marital affair, addicted to pornography, a secret drunk, abusive of his children?*
- How do a coach's obvious good deeds come to light? (v.25) *Their players or coaching staff tell others about them. Parents or others notice their quality.* How about the less obvious good deeds? *As they retire, the player tells about a private meeting with the coach. At a funeral, the staff member tells about his mentor's influence upon his life?*

Weekly Summary:

- Choose your staff wisely and deliberately.
- Maintain your personal purity, even when others in the program may be acting foolishly.
- Remember that both our best and worst moments will come to light eventually.

Notes:

- Read the bible verse a loud at the beginning.
- The questions for discussion will appear in normal text like this.
- *Suggested answers, discussion hints and follow up questions will appear in italics like this.*

Bible Reference:

1 Timothy 5



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