My Bad

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Ready:

"Why do you call Me 'Lord, Lord,' and don't do the things I say?" — Luke 6:46

Set

The phrase "my bad" is used by many, especially among young people. The phrase is used in reference to a mistake that someone has made. In some athletic settings, the phrase is almost a guarantee when a coach asks a player about a particular situation. The problem is that the phrase is almost like a "get out of jail free card" in Monopoly. When a player uses "my bad," there appears to be no accountability for his or her actions.

As coaches, we spend countless hours preparing each individual to do his or her part in order to come together as a whole for the benefit of the team. God holds us accountable for our actions. We must teach our young athletes that they are also accountable for their actions (on and off the playing field). God asks all of us who believe in Him, "Why do you call Me 'Lord, Lord,' and don't do the things I say?" (Lk 6:46). As coaches, why ask our players to call us coach if we're not going to hold them accountable for their actions?

Go

1. How many "my bads" are you accepting from your players?
2. As a coach, are you holding your players accountable for their actions?
3. What does it mean for a player to call you "coach?"

Workout

Extra Reading: Proverbs 16:3; John 13:13; James 1:22

Overtime

Lord, I thank You for the athletes you have entrusted to me, and for the opportunity to be used by You to make a difference in their lives. Lord, teach me to stand firm in Your living Word with confidence and boldness, while transferring that same power into the lives of athletes. Thank You, Lord, for being the difference maker in my life. Amen.

Bible Reference:
James 1

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