# Be Ready to Go

# Ready:

"...ready at any time to give a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you." - 1 Peter 3:15b

#### Set

Nick Foles was once just a backup quarterback and another name in the NFL's list of QBs. He even faced a time when he wanted to give up and quit the football scene, but he pursued and kept on. He always persevered and stayed ready to do his job so he could go in if needed.

Foles proved his readiness when he had to step up and go in when the starter, Carson Wentz, got hurt. From that moment on, Foles's name would go down in history as he helped lead the Eagles to a Super Bowl LII win against Tom Brady and the New England Patriots.

Athletes train to be ready to play. We practice, work out, watch film, eat right and do everything possible to be prepared. Even on the sidelines, we are constantly aware because, at any moment, we may be needed.

God wants this same ambition and readiness from us in our walk with Him. He wants us to be ready to go for Him in our faith. He wants us to read His Word and spend time with Him in prayer to fuel our hearts. There will come a time when someone on our team may ask us about our faith. Someone in our school may ask a question about God or want to hear our story. There may even be a random fan that wants to hear about the hope we have. We have to be ready to answer.

Just as Foles was ready for his team, we must be ready for God. We must fuel our hearts and minds with Scripture and prayer so that when the time comes, we are prepared to share our faith and God's Word and do our part.

### Go

- Why are backups so important in sports?
- Would you be ready to do your part for God at any moment?
- How can we prepare our hearts with Scripture and prayer?

#### Workout

Proverbs 7:1-3

Proverbs 24:27

## 1 Peter 4:10-11

### **Overtime**

"God, let me dive into Your Word and seek You in prayer, so I am ready to go in every season of my life. I want to tell others about You and be ready to give a reason for the hope I have in You! Use me to tell others about You. I am ready. Amen."



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