

God's Playbook

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Ready:

All Scripture is inspired by God and is profitable for teaching, for rebuking, for correcting, for training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work. — 2 Timothy 3:16–17

Set

One of the common elements in all levels of football, from the peewees to the pros, is the playbook. It contains the game plan each team uses to overcome its opponent. Without the playbook, teams and players would be in a state of confusion, not knowing what to do or where to go. On the other hand, no matter how good the playbook is, it's absolutely useless if the players don't study it and apply it on the field.

When it comes to life, there is no better playbook than the Word of God. It contains everything we need to defeat the opposition (the devil). Although we may recognize that God has a plan for our lives, we often do not acknowledge that the devil has a game plan too; and it is completely opposite of God's. The devil's plan is to "steal and kill and destroy" our lives, while God's plan is to give us a full and abundant life (Jn 10:10).

In order for us to consistently overcome our life's adversary, we must know what God's "playbook" says by reading and studying it, and applying what it says to our lives. If we don't, we are playing right into the plans of our enemy.

I encourage you to study and apply God's "playbook," the Bible, to your life this week so that you can avoid being sacked by the devil.

Go

1. What differences have you seen in your life when you've followed God's game plan? What about when you haven't?
2. How often do you turn to the Bible for guidance?
3. What are some specific ways in which you can apply God's Word to your life today?

Workout

Extra Reading: Matthew 7:24–27; Luke 11:28; James 1:19–25

Overtime

Father, I know You have provided Your Word to help me understand Your plan for my life. I

pray that I will trust in Your game plan and not rely on my own understanding. Amen.



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