

## **So What, Now What?**

### **Ready:**

“You must have the same attitude that Christ Jesus had.” -- Philippians 2:5

### **Set**

During a season, things happen that are out of a team's control and seem to change the opportunity for success. In athletics or life, often it is not what happens unexpectedly but how we react that determines if our course changes for the good or bad. As Christian coaches and athletes, we are called to embrace everything that happens and use it to bring honor and glory to the Lord (Romans 8:28).

During the last couple of seasons, our football team has been blessed to see an amazing turnaround, experiencing our first winning season in several years. Two big pieces in this turnaround have been our coach's help in keeping the team focused on loving one another, and embracing an attitude summed up by “So What, Now What?” Nobody in sports saw Covid-19 coming, injuries will happen in every team's season and other unexpected distractions will occur, but LOVE can help us embrace the challenges we face and lead the way in winning daily battles.

As we look at Christ's time on Earth, His life was focused on only one goal--to do what His father sent Him to do. Everything that happened to Him both good and bad was used to bring honor and glory to God, leading His teammates to do the same. All He did was the result of love--for His Father, for His teammates (disciples) He competed with and for you and me. In John 13:34-35, He commands us to do the same so we can experience the joy in loving Him and our teammates in this life, and for eternity. If we are faithful to serve as He did, all things on the fields where we are placed by God become an opportunity to strengthen our faith and win for God's Kingdom.

As Christian coaches and athletes, we are blessed with the opportunity and are privileged to compete on Team Jesus Christ, winning in the most important ways. “So What, Now What?”

Let's win for Him in all we do, and let the glory be His.

### **Go**

- How do you and your teammates react when unexpected things happen to you?
- How can we strive to have the attitude of Christ in all that happens in life?
- How can we strive to bring honor and glory to God in all we do?

### **Workout**

Romans 8:28; John 13:34-35; Philippians 2:1-11; Colossians 3:23-24

## **Overtime**

“Dear Lord, in all situations give me the strength to be more Christ-like in my response. Let Your love be seen in me, so others can come to know You. Amen.”

## **Bible Reference:**

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