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Wisdom for a Young Head Coach Week 4

I Timothy 2:1-7

Read the text aloud.

Discussion Questions:

- For whom does Paul urge Timothy to pray? (vv.1-2) All men, kings, those in authority...
- As coaches, who are our kings and those with authority in our profession and calling? *Athletic Directors, university chancellors and presidents, local government...*How can we pray for them? *For good working relationships, for favor with them, for their salvation, for health, etc...*
- Why is it good and pleasing to God when we pray for our leaders, administrators, etc? (vv.3-4) This is the way God views people and He's pleased when we reflect His nature. In what way could verse 4 be an indicator of a proper subject of prayer for those people? To pray for them to know Christ is certainly God's will and would be good for all concerned.
- According to verses 5 and 6, how many ways are there for us to experience a relationship with God? *One...* How did Christ serve as a ransom for all men? *His life was given for everyone who would believe.*
- As a coach, how do you similarly pay a ransom for your staff and players? Sacrifice and doing without. What do you sacrifice in order to coach more effectively? Time with family, more lucrative career options... What does it cost you to be a coach? Sleepless nights, anxiety, stress...
- To what offices was Paul appointed and for what purpose? (v.7) *Preacher, apostle, teacher to the Gentiles.* To what positions and for what purpose are you in coaching? *Assistant, coordinator, head coach, administrator... to train players, to build people of character...*

Notes:

- 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.



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