

Youth Soccer Devotions 2021

Sports-Life-Truth

“The Rules of the Game”

Out of Bounds

May 20th

Sports: What do you know about throw ins? Who throws it in? Any special rules? (Overhead, feet down, can use your hands) We have a throw in to keep the game going. All the fun stops when the ball is out of bounds! And if you mess up and kick it out, the other team gets the ball. It’s also the only time we can use our hands while we are playing. Our hands provide some extra help to get things back on track.

Life: In our lives we need some extra help now and then too. Your parents have to drive you places don’t they? Can you imagine trying to go on vacation to say Disney World all by yourself? It would be impossible! It’s too far to ride your bike or your skateboard. Walking would be impossible. You need your parents to take you somewhere you could never get to on your own.

Truth: The Bible talks about a time when we go “out of bounds” and need some help to get back into the game of life and have fun/succeed. The Bible calls those times we go out of bounds “sin”. What is sin? It is when we “miss the mark”, when we are supposed to do something and don’t, or do something we aren’t supposed to! We all have gone “out of bounds”: Romans 3:23- For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. And just like the throw in, we get some special help to get us back on track. God gave us a hand!! John 3:16- God so loved the world, He gave His only Son so that no one will perish but have eternal life. See, when we sin the only way we can enter God’s presence is through His Son Jesus. He gave you a hand by dying for you! Ask Jesus to save you from your sin and He will get you back in the game.