

3D Devotionals
SPORTS—LIFE—TRUTH

Remember! *Integrate* this during practices. You don't have to wait for a water break to share Jesus and the Bible with the players!

1) Layups

Sport to Life- The layup is the easiest yet most important shot you can take.

Life to Truth- The easiest and most important decision you can make is to accept the free gift of salvation through Jesus. (Ephesians 2:8-9)

2) Footwork/Triple Threat

Sport to Life- It is important to be ready for what life may throw at you. We have to be prepared to do the right thing even when we face difficulty.

Life to Truth- Be on guard against sin, hold firm to what God says is right and be the same person no matter what you face. (1 Corinthians 16:13-14)

3) Shooting

Sport to Life- You can't succeed without using the proper form. There is a right way to do things and a wrong way.

Life to Truth- The Bible calls wrong things "sin". Our sin separates us from a perfect God and prevents us from going to Heaven. (Romans 6:23)

4) Get Open/Set Screens

Sport to Life- When we set a screen we are being unselfish and helping the team win. This is more important than us getting open every time. We must learn to work together on and off the court.

Life to Truth- Jesus set the ultimate example of being unselfish by dying for you. His death gave you the opportunity to spend eternity in Heaven. (John 13:34, John 15:13)

5) Ball Handling

Sport to Life- The most important things we hold closest to us. Like the basketball when dribbling, we keep our family and what we value most close.

Life to Truth- The most important thing in our life must be God and our relationship with Him. We can know God by reading the Bible, being active in a church, and having close friends who also love Jesus. (Matthew 22:37-38).

6) Passing

Sport to Life- It is the holiday season and when we exchange gifts we are giving of our time or money to help someone else just like we do when we pass to our teammates. It is better for the team when we pass (give) more than we shoot (take).

Life to Truth- Jesus said that it is more blessed to give than to receive. We are to look for ways to love and help others because Jesus did. (Acts 20:35)

7) Conditioning

Sport to Life- We don't run just for the sake of running. We run to be better players. In life should live with purpose and have a goal to accomplish.

Life to Truth- God tells us in the Bible to live our lives for the purpose of making the name of Jesus, His life, death, and resurrection, known to others. We must live our lives with an eternal purpose, not one that is temporary. (1 Corinthians 9:24-27)

8) Defense

Sport to Life- Know where your opponent and the ball are at all times just like you need to be aware of your surroundings and who you are coming in contact with. No clowns!!

Life to Truth- We must be involved with a local church to surround ourselves with people who will help us grow and develop in the ways of God. (Proverbs 13:20, Hebrews 10:25)

9) Scrimmage

Sport to Life- We have to put into practice what we learn in school, from parents, in basketball. It does us no good to know something in our head, but never actually do it.