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## What Are You Chasing?

*“Then Jesus told him, “Go away, Satan! For it is written: Worship the Lord your God, and serve only Him.” (Matthew 4:10)*

In Matthew we read that Satan takes Jesus to the top of the mountain and tells him that he will give him all the kingdoms of the world, if he will just bow down and serve him. Jesus looks him straight in the eye and tells him you can only worship God and serve Him only! (Matthew vv. 8-10).

What are you chasing? Are you chasing success? Chasing wins? Jesus is pretty clear in Matthew. Unless you serve God and worship Him, all the “kingdoms of the world” mean absolutely nothing. You cannot win enough or succeed enough to gain His approval.

As FCA Baseball coaches we recognize that we are called to coach beyond the skills of the game. As coaches that serve and worship God, we understand and harness the power of our coaching platform by coaching the mind and transforming the heart of our athletes.

This week, let’s be reminded of the impact we have on our players, our opponents, and the officials on the ballfield. Let us remember the words of Jesus in Matthew – “serve God and worship Him.” Let’s be a catalyst for internal transformation in the lives of our players.

Winning is rewarding. However, unless we are serving and worship our Lord, winning and success mean absolutely nothing!

What are you chasing?

**Question:** Are you chasing the scoreboard? Have you allowed success and wins to guide your way? Or have you chosen to share with your players the light of Jesus and the confidence and strength he brings to our daily lives?

**Challenge:** “Bow down and worship” Jesus. Let Him be your Head Coach. Read Matthew 4:1-11.

**Prayer:** Lord, thank you for the opportunity to impact the lives of my players for you. Grant me the courage, strength and wisdom, to “serve and worship” you and be a light to my players, our opponents and officials.

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