



FCA Wrestling – Team Huddle

Week 1: “A Bad Call”

In wrestling, like it or not, there is a judge - a referee - who is in charge of the match. Every wrestler has been the victim of a "bad call". Perhaps the referee was out of position and couldn't see the action. Perhaps the referee was inexperienced and didn't know ALL the rules. Perhaps the referee knew the rule, but didn't apply it properly. Or, perhaps the referee just used poor judgment. Referees are human, and humans make mistakes. When you are in a match, wrestle your best the entire time, pushing hard to the final whistle. That way, you minimize the chance that a bad call will determine the outcome.

In life, like it or not, there is a judge - God - who is in charge. Unlike a wrestling referee, God is always in the proper position, and can see all the action. He has the experience of eternity. He WROTE all the rules and applies them perfectly. Because God is perfect and holy, He can not be in the presence of sin. In fact, Romans 6:23 states that "the wages of sin is DEATH". And because God is just, he MUST enforce the rules. But because God loves us so much, He is offering His own Son, Jesus, to pay the penalty for our sins. The offer is no good, however, unless you accept it. You have the opportunity to have an amazing relationship with God for eternity. Don't make a bad call that will determine an outcome less than what God offers us. He is allowing you to make your own call.

Isaiah 6:3 "and one (angel) called out to another and said 'Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord'..."

Romans 3:23 “All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God”

Romans 6:23 “For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord”

Discussion Questions:

1. Why did the angels say that God is "Holy" three times?
2. What sins are OK to God?
3. "For the wages of sin is death". Does the punishment fit the crime?
4. Who made the rules?
5. Can someone else pay for your sins? Why would they?

CONCLUDE WITH A SHORT PRAYER