

WEEK 1: GROW IN LOVE

Question: What is the best gift you've received? How did it make you feel?

Memory Verse: "For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16

DEVOTIONAL:

In basketball, sometimes a player will give a great pass or assist to help a teammate score. But God gave us the greatest gift ever-His Son, Jesus. John 3:16 tells us that God loved the world so much that He sent Jesus to save us. Jesus came to us the ultimate gift by offering His life for us, so that anyone who believes in Him can have eternal life. God didn't hold anything back, and He offers His love freely.

Just like basketball, God wants us to work as a team with Him. Jesus did everything for us so that we can have the chance to live forever with God. This is the most amazing and loving gift anyone could receive. It's a gift we can never repay, but we can show gratitude by living like Jesus - loving others, helping them, and working as a team.



QUESTIONS:

1. What does it mean that Jesus loves you?
2. How can you show love to others on your team & in your family?
3. In basketball, how do you show your teammates you care about them? Can you do the same for others outside the game?

APPLICATION:

Just like you trust your teammate to make a good play, you can trust Jesus and what He's done for you. Every time you show love and kindness to others, whether on the court or off, you're reflecting God's love that He showed to you through Jesus.



LET'S PRAY

