

Heart of a Coach –September 2013



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List your chosen attribute: Trust/Peace in the Lord

What is your personal definition of this word?

It provides so much strength to know that we can count and trust in the Lord. Even when times are tough, I know that I can turn to him...and I can look to my past and see him at work in my life even when I didn't know it at the time.

What is your favorite Biblical passage that deals with this characteristic?

Psalms 37:3-5 "Trust in the Lord and do what is good; dwell in the land and live securely. Take delight in the Lord and He will give you your heart's desires. Commit your way to the Lord; trust in Him, and He will act."

Why did you choose that particular passage?

This passage offers such clear guidance and direction and has been a source of support and encouragement for me throughout my life.

Please give an example of this word in your life.

When things haven't gone according to my plan...it has been very concerning. However, I am able to rely on this scripture, turn my attention to him and believe that HE is working for my good and that I can trust and rely on him. Further, the more I turn to Him, the more he is able to assist me...when I don't try to rely on myself.

How do you apply this word in your sport?

Same as above, I need to do the best that I can, and then turn it over to Him.

How did you become involved in FCA? I was working to establish an FCA chapter at Iowa Western.

How active within FCA were/are you?

I was fortunate enough to assist with the IOWA FCA sports camp prior to accepting the volleyball position at Drake. NCAA DI regulations will no longer allow me to assist with this camp.

What is your athletic experience? My athletic experience is quite limited. I played varsity Tennis in high school where I lettered my senior year. Beyond that, I played a lot of recreational sand volleyball in college.

What is your coaching experience?

I coached high school volleyball for several years from 1995-2003. This included head coaching at Nodaway-Holt High School (1995-96) and Oak Grove High School (1996-2002) in Missouri. I assisted at Lee's Summit High School for a couple of years before accepting a part time position at Longview Community College in 2005. I was there for four seasons. In 2009, I made a career change leaving my teaching position at Lee's Summit and coaching position at Longview for a full time coaching position at Iowa Western in Council Bluffs, IA. After four successful seasons there, I then accepted the head coaching position at Drake University earlier this spring.