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Reaching People With the Message of Hope Through the Game of Soccer

PASSING - TEAMWORK

Scripture : Ecclesiastes 4:12

"Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves."

Concepts on the Field

- Trust your teammates
- Remember that you are stronger & more effective when you work together
- Working together has benefits both offensively & defensively
- Communicate with each other

Life Lessons

- Being alone makes us vulnerable to attacks
- Surrounding ourselves with other Christians to encourage us makes us stronger
- Making it through tough times together is better than attempting it alone
- Look for others around us who may need to be encouraged or included

Teach

- Play 2 vs 1 on the goal with GK. Use this opportunity to show how much harder the single defensive player alone has to work to be successful.
- Have a coach stand up top as an outlet for a pass if the defender steals the ball or GK saves it.
- Allow this to run its course for some time, rotating defenders/GK, until you add a 2nd defender.
- Be certain to point out when the defenders back each other up & are successful.
- Rotate positions
- STOP PLAY 10 MINUTES IN... Compare this lesson of teamwork to a "life situation" the kids may encounter. Share a story of your own when you needed a friend to get yourself out of a situation or help from a friend to be successful. How did God help you through it?
- Use a scripture reference : In our faith walk with God, there are no lone rangers. Even Jesus himself surrounded himself with friends.