

A football stadium at night, illuminated by bright lights. In the foreground, a brown football with white laces and a white stripe lies on the grass on the left. On the right, an orange football helmet with a black face mask sits on the grass. The background shows the stadium seating and goalposts under a hazy, golden light.

God

Our Coaching Staff

Punchline:

God is the coach, listen, learn, and live
what He calls



For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you.

Romans 12: 3 NIV



For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function,

Romans 12: 4 NIV



**So in Christ we, though many, form one
body, and each member belongs to all the
others**

Romans 12: 5 NIV



**We have different gifts, according to the
grace given to each of us. If your gift is
prophesying, then prophecy in accordance
with your faith;**

Romans 12: 6 NIV



**if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching,
then teach;**

Romans 12: 7 NIV



If it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, [b] do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

Romans 12: 8 NIV



Many Gifts

- Prophesying
- Serving
- Teaching
- Encouraging
- Giving
- Leadership
- Showing Mercy



OFFENSIVE

Coordinator

God Uses Our Gifts

- Receive your gift well
- Use that gift
- It won't always go as planned
- “Shake it off and go again”



**Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his
mighty power.**

Ephesians 6: 10 NIV



**Put on the full armor of God, so that you
can take your stand against the devil's
schemes**

Ephesians 6: 11 NIV



For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.

[Ephesians 6: 12 NIV](#)



Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand

Ephesians 6: 13 NIV



**Stand firm then, with the belt of truth
buckled around your waist, with the
breastplate of righteousness in place,**

Ephesians 6: 14 NIV



**And with your feet fitted with the
readiness that comes from the gospel of
peace.**

Ephesians 6: 15 NIV



**In addition to all this, take up the shield of
faith, with which you can extinguish all the
flaming arrows of the evil one**

Ephesians 6: 16 NIV



**Take the helmet of salvation and the sword
of the Spirit, which is the word of God.**

Ephesians 6: 17 NIV



The Armor of God

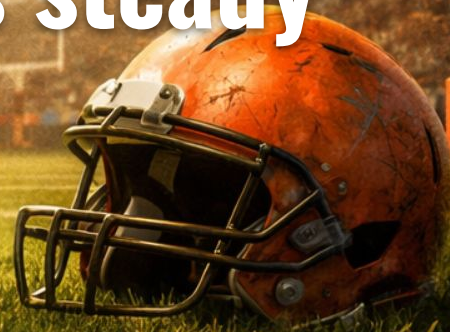
- Belt of truth
- Breastplate of righteousness
- Boots from the Gospel of peace
- Shield of faith
- Helmet of salvation and sword of the Spirit



DEFENSIVE
COORDINATOR

God Protects

- Belt of truth - scripture
- Plate of righteousness - morality, good character, upright
- Boots - peace holds us steady



God Protects

- Shield of faith - pushes temptation away
- Helmet and sword - take salvation and let truth cut through the lies of the devil



**There is a time for everything,
and a season for every activity under the
heavens:**

Ecclesiastes 3: 1 NIV



**A time to be born and a time to die,
A time to plant and a time to uproot,**

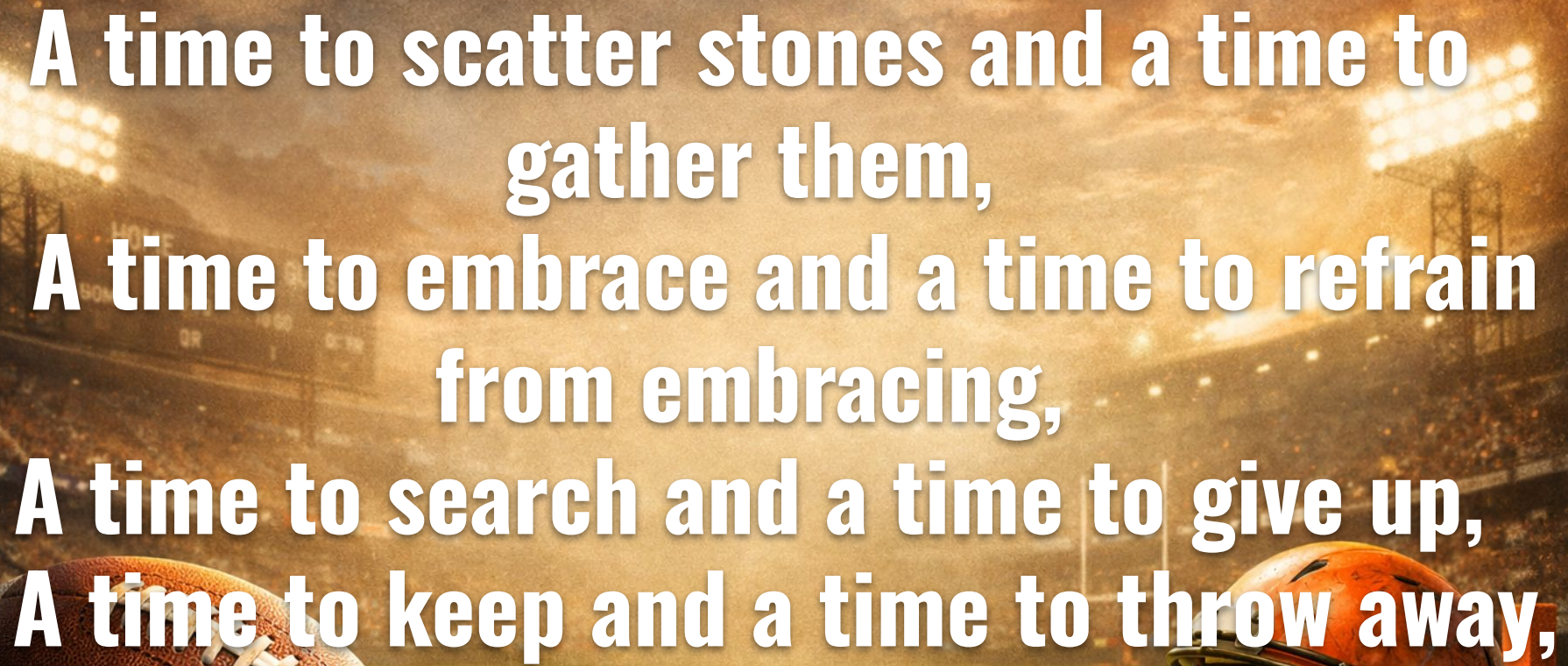
Ecclesiastes 3: 2 NIV



**A time to kill and a time to heal,
A time to tear down and a time to build,
A time to weep and a time to laugh,
A time to mourn and a time to dance,**

Ecclesiastes 3: 3-4 NIV



A football field at night, illuminated by stadium lights. In the foreground, a brown football with white stripes and a brown helmet with a black face mask are resting on the grass. The background shows the field and stands, slightly blurred.

**A time to scatter stones and a time to
gather them,
A time to embrace and a time to refrain
from embracing,
A time to search and a time to give up,
A time to keep and a time to throw away,**

Ecclesiastes 3: 5-6 NIV

**A time to tear and a time to mend,
A time to be silent and a time to speak,
A time to love and a time to hate,
A time for war and a time for peace.**

Ecclesiastes 3: 7-8 NIV



A Time For Everything

- Plant and uproot
- Weep and laugh
- Embrace and refrain from embracing
- Be silent and speak



SPECIAL
TEAMS
COORDINATOR

Know When It's Time

- God will say take the points
- “You’ve done what I called you to do and it’s time to move on”
- Taking the points is out of God’s calling not our own



Know When It's Time

- God will say it's time to fake punt and stay
- Dig in and don't run away
- Might have to work through pain, conflict, or disappointment



**This is how God showed his love among us:
He sent his one and only Son into the world
that we might live through him.**

1 John 4: 9 NIV



This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

1 John 4: 10 NIV



God Loved First

- True love of God can only be given after it is received
- Love of Jesus isn't rooted in self-gratification but in self-sacrifice



**head
coach**

God Was First

- God put the team together
- It started because God loved us first
- Accept that love - accept Jesus and His sacrifice for you



God Was First

- Respond by loving others
- God wants us to love and see others how He does
- He showed love, gave love, and put His whole team in place



The Coaching Staff

- **Offensive - uses our gifts**
- **Defensive - defense against the devil**
- **Special Teams - time for everything**
- **Head Coach - sees the whole picture and puts plan in motion**

