

# FAITH STRONG

## Game 2 / Week 2

**READY:** Memory verse

“It is impossible to please God without Faith. Anyone who wants to come to Him must believe that God exists and that He rewards those who sincerely seek Him”

-Hebrews 11:6

**SET:**

Sports commentators have an opinion about every play in a game. Whether the play was extraordinary or a disaster, commentators watch intently and share their views on what happened. Maybe a player used the wrong technique or did not show enough effort. Or the player showed tremendous athleticism and did the most unbelievable move ever done. Regardless of the words they use, they do not impact the game because they are not competing.

Faith in God is like an athlete who is in the game competing in sport. The athlete knows the purpose of the game along with the rules, strategies, and techniques. As the play develops, the athlete reacts to the opposition and presses onwards toward winning the game.

**Having only knowledge about a sport does not make an athlete great.**

The athlete needs to harness the knowledge along with past experiences when competing in sport. Then it is only by actually competing in the game that an athlete can win.

A person’s faith must include both believing God and seeking Him. It is not enough to just say that you believe God exists. That would be like a commentator hoping to receive a championship trophy. Instead, a person needs to grow in their knowledge of God while they continue to live (compete) for God. Remaining in the game is where faith is worked out. This is what makes Faith STRONG!

**GO:**

1. As a competitor, how do you put your faith in God?
2. Do you believe God exists?
3. If you seek God with your whole heart, how would your life need to change?

**WORKOUT:**

Read Matthew 6:33 / John 3:16

**OVERTIME:**

Father help me to believe in you more and to seek you with my whole heart. I desire my faith to be STRONG. Amen