



Week 4: BYLAWS

What do you think would happen if a coach or referee were to show up on Saturday for game day and say “ALRIGHT BOYS/GIRLS...the only rule today is THERE ARE NO RULES!”

What would that game look like?

I can just imagine the ball “never going out of bounds”, you guys picking up the ball with your hands and running with it, you tackling each other, and a lot of tears from getting hurt or frustrated. Sometimes we don’t realize it, but we really NEED RULES so we can actually enjoy what we are doing.

What are rules you have at home? Why do your mom and dad give you rules at home?

Right! So you and your siblings don’t hurt each other, so you can become responsible, so you don’t get sick and more....

Last week we talked about you guys being CHOSEN for God’s team and purpose. A long time ago God CHOSE an unlikely candidate for His work: Moses. God chose Moses even after he KILLED an Egyptian, because he knew Moses’ heart. He chose Moses to free the Hebrews/Israelites from slavery. And after asking Pharaoh to free God’s people, and inflicting plagues such as blood in the water, frogs, flies, lice, boils on the people, hail, darkness over the nation and more, Moses was able to lead the Hebrews away from Pharaoh out of slavery. **Does anyone know what happened as they fled? Did pharaoh just let them go or change his mind and chase after?** Yep! He chased after them and the Hebrews almost got stuck at the Red Sea. But God told Moses just what to do: Moses raised his staff and parted the seas so the Hebrews could walk on DRY LAND (WOAH)!! Once the Hebrews had fully crossed, the water closed back over Pharaoh and his army. The Hebrews no longer had to serve under Pharaoh’s cruel law. But they needed rules on how to act and behave with one another. **Does anyone know what laws Moses was given by God?** The TEN COMMANDMENTS. They included rules like you shouldn’t LIE, STEAL, MURDER. You should honor GOD and OBEY your parents! **How many of you do THAT all the time? :)**

2 Timothy 3:16 says “All Scripture (the Bible) is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness”.

The Bible is filled with hope and love, and it is also a rule book from the CREATOR OF THE WORLD on how to live life to make your life and the lives around around you better! **How often are you reading your Bible?** God has given you HIS WORD, pick it up each morning or night to find out how He wants you to live your life, and to learn more about His hope, love and purpose for your life. If you can’t read yet, see if mom and dad might read some stories to you!

CLOSE IN PRAYER

GREAT Bible reference for the younger kiddos if anyone asks: “The Storybook Bible: Every Story Whispers His name” by Sally Lloyd-Jones.