## Saint Talks Group Discussion

Season 4 Session 1

## <u>Impactful Influence: Using Athletic Platform</u> <u>for God's Kingdom</u>



## **Objective:**

To empower athletes to leverage their platform and influence for the advancement of God's Kingdom, exploring opportunities to impact others positively through their athletic endeavors and committing to stewarding their influence with integrity and purpose.

Opening Prayer:	Heavenly Father, as we come together now, we are grateful for the opportunities You have given us as athletes to influence others. Guide us in understanding how we can use our platform for the advancement of Your Kingdom. Amen.
Biblical Reflection:	Read Matthew 5:13-16. Reflect on Jesus' teaching about being the salt and light of the world and its implications for using our influence for God's glory.
Discussion:	<ul> <li>Share examples of athletes who have used their platform to positively impact others for God's Kingdom.</li> <li>Discuss the responsibilities that come with having a platform and the potential pitfalls of abusing it's influence.</li> <li>Brainstorm creative ways to leverage your influence as an athlete to share the message of Christ with others.</li> </ul>
Application:	<ul> <li>Identify one specific area of your athletic sphere where you can make a positive impact for God's Kingdom (e.g., mentoring younger athletes, volunteering in the community, sharing your faith openly).</li> <li>Develop a plan of action for how you will use your influence in that area, setting measurable goals and timelines.</li> <li>Commit to praying regularly for wisdom, courage, and discernment as you seek to advance God's Kingdom through your athletic platform.</li> </ul>
Closing Prayer:	Lord God, we thank You for the opportunities You have given us to make a difference in the lives of others through our athletic pursuits. Help us to steward our influence well, always seeking to bring glory to Your name and to advance Your Kingdom here on earth.  Our Father, who art in heaven  Amen.