GOD'S PLAYBOOK = Finding Our Position

(Sermon by Ray Reynolds on 10/11/09 - AM)

<u>Text</u>: Romans 12:3-4

INTRODUCTION: In sports, in order to be an effective player, and make a lot of plays, it's important to know your position and how to position yourself to make the plays. In Christ we have all been given positions, ministries, gifts and talents that make up our calling in God. Do you know your position? Let's look at part of God's playbook

DISCUSSION:

I. Give Glory to God, Not Yourself (v.3)

Ephesians 1:11 II Timothy 1:9 Matthew 16:18
Romans 12:1-2 II Corinthians 3:17-18 Ephesians 4:13
Matthew 24:14 I Timothy 3:15 Ephesians 6

Joel 2:2-11 Romans 12:3

II. Elevate Christ's Example, Not Your Own (v.3)

I Peter 2:21-25 Philippians 2:5 I Corinthians 11:1
II Peter 1:3-4 I Samuel 14 Romans 8:37
II Corinthians 2:14 Philippians 4:13 Romans 12:3

III. Follow His Plan, Not Your Own (v.3)

Ephesians 1:17-19 Daniel 11:32 II Samuel 17 I Peter 2:15 Matthew 26:39 James 4:13-17

Matthew 6:33 Romans 12:3

IV. Have Faith, Not Doubt (v.3)

Mark 9:23 Matthew 17:20 II John 8
Philippians 3:14 Hebrews 11:1 Psalm 37:5

Proverbs 3:5 Romans 12:3

V. Stay Focused, Don't Quit (v.4)

Acts 20:24 II Corinthians 11:23 II Timothy 4:6-8

 Luke 22:60-62
 Acts 2
 Acts 4

 Acts 9
 Acts 10-11
 Acts 12

I Peter 5 Romans 12:4

<u>CONCLUSION</u>: While we sit on the sidelines, it should drive us crazy. We should want to get back in the game. Have you allowed your wounds and disappointments to take you out of the game? Remember the advice of the Hebrew writer in Hebrews 12:12-13. Get some rehab, recoup, and get back in the game! God wants to do great things in our lives! Let's put on our uniform and start following God's playbook! Let's follow His game plan! And we will succeed!!!