

Heart of a Coach – June 2016

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List your chosen attribute:

Caring

What is your personal definition of this word?

Loving and supporting the people around you.

What are some of your favorite quotes from other people about this word?

"Nobody cares how much you know, until they know how much you care."

What is your favorite Biblical passage that deals with this characteristic?

John 13:34-35

"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another, even as I have loved you, that you also love one another. By this all men will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."

Why did you choose that particular passage?

We are called to lead people to Christ and as a public school teacher and coach I believe that the best way to do that is to love and care for my students and athletes.

Please give an application/example of this word in your life.

I just want to be a loving and caring husband, father, coach and teacher. As the verse says there is no better way to reach people for Christ than to love them and care about them.

How do you apply this word in your sport?

As a coach I just want my athletes to know that I love them and care about them. If they know this then I can help them grow as young men and as players. This is also a way that that I can show them Christ through my actions. I want them to know that I will always be there for them to support and encourage them. I also try to be an example so that when they grow to be husbands and fathers they will love and care for the people around them.

How did you become involved in FCA?

I have been a Christian for a long time and when I became a teacher at Chariton High School my friend Josh Snook had already got FCA going and I knew that I wanted to be a part of it.

How active within FCA were/are you?

Along with some fellow coaches I am a huddle leader and we try to meet once or twice a month with our huddle group.

What is your athletic experience? (Where?)

I played multiple sports at Davis County High School.

What is your coaching experience? (Where?)

I have coached multiple sports including: basketball, football, golf, and baseball here in Chariton for 11 years.