

## SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR: Proper 7A



### MAIN POINT

**Telling others what we believe**

### SCRIPTURE FOCUS

All those who stand before others and say they believe in me, I will say before my Father in heaven that they belong to me. **Matthew 10:32**

### AIDS

A 'coach' hat or whistle and maybe a ball.

### CHAT

**Have you ever played a team sport or watched a team sport?** (Football, Cricket, Netball etc)

**Every team has a coach. A coach is someone who wants to help their team play the best game they can. A coach will teach new skills, and encourage their team to do their best!**

**A good sporting team will want to play the game well so they can win and make their coach happy. When the team wins the coach will tell everyone close to him – 'That's my team. They belong to me. They are playing well. They are doing just what I taught them to do! Go Team!' A coach loves to tell others about the great things their team has done!**

**Jesus is like a coach to us. He teaches us to share with others that we believe in him! And when we do what Jesus has told us to do, what do you think Jesus does? He goes to his Father and proudly says. 'See these people – they belong to me.'**

**But, Jesus is more than a coach. He teaches us how to live. He has already won the great victory of life for us when he died on the cross and rose again. Now, there is nothing that can ever take us away from his team!**

**With thankful hearts, we can be all that God wants us to be in our homes, schools and communities. We can tell others – 'we believe in Jesus'. We can do this with joy because Jesus has won the great victory for us and is our Lord and Saviour forever. Even though this has looked very different in the past few months we have still been able to share our faith.**

### PRAYER

**Lord Jesus, thank you for being our Lord and Saviour and coach. Thank you for winning the great victory for us. Help us to listen to you and tell and show others that we believe in you. Amen.**

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