



Higher Power™ Ball Presentation Guide

We all enjoy watching a game. What makes it fun and interesting is there is always a winner and a loser. When the final whistle sounds and the game is over we all hope we were on the winning team. In many ways life is like a game. One day it will be over and those who are on the winning side will celebrate while those on the losing side will suffer their loss for all eternity. Unlike sports, however, there is no next game or next season. Life is a one-time experience and there are no second chances. The other unique thing about life is that you know which team will win and you can choose to be on that team. The colors on the ball help to tell the story of how God wants to have a relationship with you and that you can be on His team.

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| BLUE | God is the One who has created the blue heavens and seas, and He has even created you and me. God wants to have a love relationship with us. (Genesis 1; John 3:16; 1 John 3:16) |
| GOLD | God loves us so much that He wants our relationship with Him to last forever in a place called Heaven. The Bible says that in the city of heaven the street was pure gold. Heaven is a place with no more problems. There will be no more crying, pain, suffering, or dying. (II Peter 3:9; Revelation 21:21) |
| DARK | God is a holy God, and we are not a holy people. We have made mistakes. We have lied. We have been angry and maybe even acted out on that anger. The Bible calls these mistakes “sin,” and these sins separate us from God. (Romans 3:23; 6:23) [the seams on the basketball represent dark, while the other balls have a dark panel] |
| RED | We have talked about how much God loves us. His love is so great that He was willing to allow His Son to pay the penalty for our sins. Jesus Christ, the Son of God, died on the cross and endured the punishment that we should have endured. The color red represents the blood He shed when He died, and reminds us that our “sin-debt” has been paid. (John 3:16; Romans 5:8; 6:23) |
| WHITE | When Jesus died on the cross He was placed in a grave. After three days and nights in the grave He arose just as He said He would. He said that if we would tell others with our mouths that He is Lord and believe in our hearts that he arose from the grave that He will save us from our sin and give us eternal life with Him in Heaven. Will you stop and ask Him to forgive you and to be the Lord and Savior of your life right now? The color white represents how God sees us after He saves us. We are a cleansed forgiven child of God. (Isaiah 1:18; 1 John 1:9) |
| GREEN | Green represents new growth in the trees, plants, and grasses of the earth. In the same way we must show new growth in our lives with Jesus as our Lord and Savior. We must study the Bible, pray to God, and assemble with other Christians to grow in faith and knowledge. (2 Timothy 2:15, 2 Peter 3:18) |