

How To Use The Faith Playbook To Bless Others And Share The Gospel

## **INCLUDES:**

Answers to Frequently Asked Questions
Recommendations for Groups and Churches
Suggested Discussion Questions to Ask
How to Promote Watch Parties



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## WHAT IS THE FAITH PLAYBOOK?

The Faith Playbook provides you with exclusive video content that you can use to encourage Christians in their faith, and to share the Gospel message with those who aren't followers of Jesus Christ.

With honest and compelling testimonies from professional football players Carson Wentz, Nick Foles and their teammates, and with biblical teaching and an evangelistic Gospel presentation from pastor and best-selling author Dr. Paul David Tripp, The Faith Playbook proclaims the unfiltered Good News of the Christian faith in a winsome and culturally relevant way.

The Faith Playbook is available for unlimited, on-demand streaming until December 31, 2018. This guide provides answers to frequently asked questions and suggestions for how to best use The Faith Playbook to bless and witness to others. When you're ready to purchase a Streaming License, go to <a href="https://www.theFaithPlaybook.com">www.theFaithPlaybook.com</a>

## HOW SHOULD I USE THE FAITH PLAYBOOK?

The Faith Playbook can be used in a variety of ways to bless others and share the Gospel.



**FAMILIES:** What could be more important than raising a family to love Jesus more than anything the world has to offer?

Watch the full video for your next date night or family movie night
Use the videos and discussion questions for your next family devotions
Spend a father-and-child weekend away together watching the videos and attending a football game



**FRIENDS:** Encourage your friends in their walk with God, and share the Good News of the Gospel with friends who don't have a relationship with Jesus.

Provide food and host a watch party at your home, inviting friends, neighbors, and co-workers

Use the videos and discussion questions for your next small group, bible study, or men's group gathering



**CHURCHES:** Challenge your congregation to live for Christ and be a bold witness for the Gospel, inviting those in your community who may never typically come to church

Host a barbecue or similar event with activities for families before inviting them in to watch the full video

Use the videos and discussion questions for your next small group, Sunday school, or youth group series

Use the content for either a men's ministry or youth group retreat or weekend event.



**COACHES:** Inspire your athletes to play their sport for the glory of God by watching professional athletes share their testimonies

Provide food and host a watch party at your home, inviting the athletes and their parents Use the videos and discussion questions during your training camp or regular team meetings

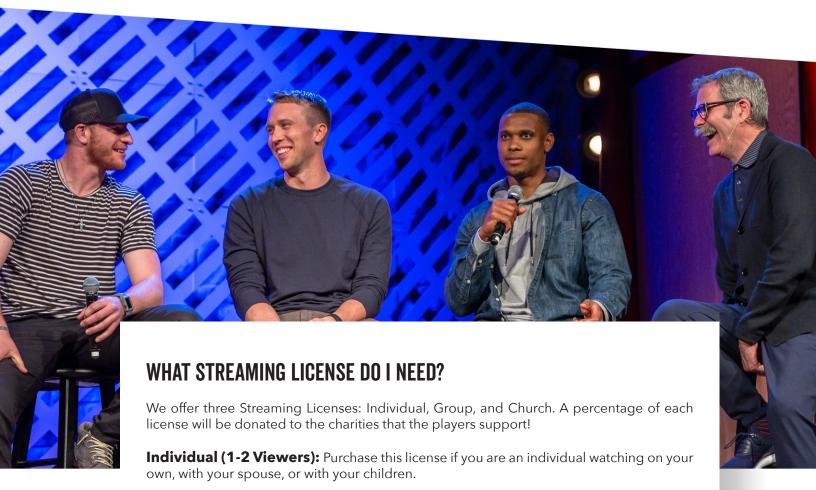


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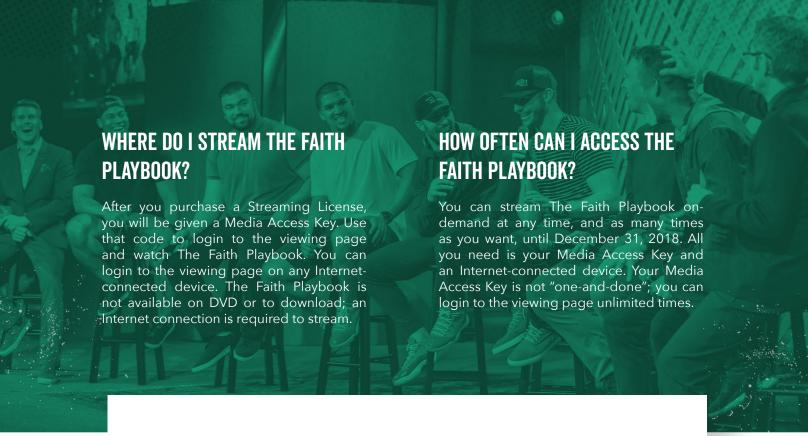
Host a "Welcome Back" event on your campus, ordering food and inviting students to learn more about your campus ministry

Use the videos and discussion questions during the semester for your next study series



**Group (3-25 Viewers):** Purchase this license if you are an individual hosting a watch party at your home with friends and family and neighbors, with your sports team, or on your college campus. If you have more than 25 viewers, we ask that you purchase the appropriate

**Church (For All Churches):** Purchase this license if you are a church, using The Faith Playbook in any format - either a one-time watch party or for your small groups, youth groups, men's ministry or Sunday school. We ask that you purchase a Church License based on your average weekly attendance.



## **HOW LONG IS THE FAITH PLAYBOOK?**

The Faith Playbook was recorded live in Philadelphia on May 4, 2018 from 7:00pm - 10:00pm, with a 15-minute intermission. The video file that you will stream is 2 hours and 45 minutes and does not include the 15-minute intermission. You can choose to watch the entire event at once, or, break it up into segments over the course of weeks or months, pausing and restarting when desired.

The video player is divided into chapters, making it easy to navigate between the different conversations:

- 1. Welcome (Scott Hanson) and Opening Remarks (Paul Tripp) 13 minutes
- 2. Nick Foles and Trey Burton 20 minutes
- 3. Chris Maragos and Jordan Hicks 21 minutes
- 4. Carson Wentz and Stefen Wisniewski 25 minutes
- 5. Scott Hanson and Paul Tripp 19 minutes
- 6. David Akers with Compassion International 16 minutes
- 7. Jordan Matthews and Paul Tripp 15 minutes
- 8. Apparel Giveaway and Panel Transition 5 minutes
- 9. Team Panel Conversation 25 minutes
- 10. Closing Remarks and Gospel Presentation from Paul Tripp 6 minutes





You can stream The Faith Playbook in any combination of ways. Below are the most popular, but you can be creative and mold the content to work for your setting.

#### **WATCH IT ALL AT ONCE:**

Replicate the live event and host a watch party. Be creative, hospitable, generous and bold: host a BBQ and give out free food before; hire a moon bounce or face painter for children; have a bean bag toss in the driveway or parking lot. Make The Faith Playbook a big event on your block, at your church, or on your campus and invite everyone including those who don't believe in the Christian faith to hear the Gospel message.

#### **WATCH IT OVER TIME:**

With unlimited on-demand streaming until December 31, 2018, you can watch The Faith Playbook over the course of weeks or months. This is an excellent option for family devotions, a youth group series, a church-wide small group curriculum, a sports team, a college ministry, and other similar formats with regular meetings.

## **WATCH IT IN FOUR PARTS:**

**WEEK 1:** Welcome and Opening Remarks + Nick Foles and Trey Burton (33 minutes of video)

**WEEK 2:** Chris Maragos and Jordan Hicks + Carson Wentz and Stefen Wisniewski (46 minutes of video)

**WEEK 3:** Scott Hanson and Paul Tripp + David Akers with Compassion International + Jordan Matthews (50 minutes of video)

**WEEK 4:** Team Panel Discussion + Paul Tripp's Closing Remarks and Gospel Presentation (31 minutes of video)

## WATCH IT IN EIGHT PARTS

**WEEK 1:** Welcome and Opening Remarks (13 minutes of video)

**WEEK 2:** Nick Foles and Trey Burton (20 minutes of video)

**WEEK 3:** Chris Maragos and Jordan Hicks (21 minutes of video)

**WEEK 4:** Carson Wentz and Stefen Wisniewski (25 minutes of video)

**WEEK 5:** Scott Hanson and Paul Tripp (19 minutes of video)

**WEEK 6:** David Akers with Compassion International (16 minutes of video)

**WEEK 7:** Jordan Matthews and Paul Tripp (15 minutes of video)

**WEEK 8:** Team Panel Conversation + Closing Remarks and Gospel Presentation from Paul Tripp (31 minutes of video)



# DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

## WHAT DISCUSSION QUESTIONS SHOULD I ASK?

If you are using The Faith Playbook in a group setting where discussion is encouraged, we have provided a few questions for each conversation below. Of course, you can supplement these questions with your own or choose to create your own entirely.

#### A few suggestions when leading a small group or discussion time:

- Watch the video in advance before watching with your group, and spend time asking yourself the discussion questions to prepare for the conversation.
- Ask questions and encourage participation. Solicit answers from multiple participants; don't let the same person answer every question. For some questions, it might be appropriate to ask everyone, but don't force anyone to answer.
- Allow time for participants to answer, rephrasing the question when necessary. Avoid answering questions yourself; contribute, but don't dominate.
- Affirm everyone's participation and allow "questionable" responses to remain uncorrected. Rejecting answers, or allowing others to reject answers, can result in an environment of timidity and reduce honesty among participants.
- Lead with transparency and vulnerability, and others will follow. Don't be afraid to share weaknesses, failures, doubts, and confusion.
- Adjust as necessary. If you believe that skipping certain questions or spending an entire session on one question will benefit your gathering, don't feel obligated to rush through deep discussion for the sake of asking each question listed below.

## **OPENING REMARKS (PAUL TRIPP)**

- 1. What made you interested in watching The Faith Playbook, or why are you here? What, if anything, are you hoping to accomplish by watching this event?
- 2. Do you agree with Paul Tripp's comment that "everyone lives by faith"?
- 3. How would you define faith? Try and use "real-life" vocabulary and everyday examples from your own life, as opposed to abstract phrases that don't mean anything to you.
- 4. How have you recently experienced evidence that this world is broken? How much of that was caused by people trying put themselves in the center of the world?
- 5. What would you like to be a part of that is larger and more meaningful than your everyday life? Have you experienced something recently that feels "bigger than you"?

#### **NICK FOLES AND TREY BURTON**

- 1. When Nick Foles and Trey Burton both had significant life decisions to make, they relied on their relationship with God for direction. What, or who, do you rely on when making decisions?
- 2. Nick Foles and Trey Burton both expressed that they were at peace with their decisions. Why do you think that was? In your life, after a decision has been made, do you typically have peace or are you anxious and second guessing yourself?
- 3. Nick Foles came back to Philadelphia to be a team player and to help develop Carson Wentz. How can you become more of a team player in your life right now?
- 4. Trey Burton was an undrafted free agent and spent much of his time as a third-string tight end in Philadelphia before having a career year and making national highlights. But personally for Trey, nothing changed. Where do you find your personal value and identity? Is it in who you are, or is it in what you can do and are known for doing?
- 5. Nick Foles and Trey Burton both said that Jesus is very real to them, even though he cannot be seen or heard or touched. Is Jesus real to you? Why or why not? If he is, how can your relationship with Jesus become deeper and more real?

#### CHRIS MARAGOS AND JORDAN HICKS

- 1. Chris Maragos and Jordan Hicks both struggled through their injury, and their recovery wasn't enjoyable, but they learned from it, trusted God, and grew in their faith. When you experience suffering, how do you respond?
- 2. The Philadelphia rehab room was filled with all-pro athletes during the 2017 season, and they bonded together as a community. Do you have a network of people whom you can rely on during tough times? Can people rely on you during their tough times?
- 3. Jordan Hicks mentioned several things that were important to their locker room bond: vulnerability, accountability, not being the same, and true love for one another. How can you practice those things in your own community of relationships?
- 4. Chris Maragos has had an unpredictable, unconventional, and successful life journey, but he still struggles to trust God with his future. Has God proven himself to be in control of your life so far? Do you still struggle with trusting him with your future?
- 5. Professional football players have the ability to leave a legacy on the field or in the record books, but all these players in The Faith Playbook are interested in leaving a legacy bigger than football. What kind of legacy do you hope to leave with your life?

## CARSON WENTZ AND STEFEN WISNIEWSKI

- 1. Carson Wentz was unable to play in the championship game, despite all his hard work to get his team in a position to win. Share a time from your life when you worked hard to accomplish something, and it seemed to be in vain.
- 2. After Carson Wentz's injury, Philadelphia's season was certainly not in vain. On top of not being able to play himself, he had to watch someone else get all the glory. Have you ever experienced something like this? How did you respond? What do you think Carson Wentz needed to do in his heart to be genuinely happy for Nick Foles, and to give God the glory?
- 3. Paul Tripp asked Carson Wentz, "What did you preach to yourself in those moments when it was just really hard?" How often do you preach to yourself? What do you say to you, and how does that change the way you think about and respond to life?
- 4. Stefen Wisniewski's primary job on the football field is to protect Carson Wentz and Nick Foles. The Bible says to "defend the weak and the fatherless; uphold the cause of the poor and the oppressed." How can part of your legacy be defending the weak and upholding the cause of the oppressed?
- 5. Stefen Wisniewski described the Bible as being relevant, a weapon, and a treasure. Unpack each of those and discuss how you could use the Bible for life.

#### SCOTT HANSON AND PAUL TRIPP

- 1. Paul Tripp mentioned that there was "no ego in the room" when he met these players. Even though they have plenty of reasons to be proud, arrogant and boastful, they are humble. What do you think the key to humility is? Where are you tempted to be potentially boastful? Why would you want to choose humility over boasting?
- 2. Scott Hanson thought that he could find meaning and purpose in life by being the best sports broad-caster in the country. It didn't work. Have you tried to find meaning and purpose outside of a relation-ship with God? In what ways are you asking success, money, or fame to provide you with happiness?
- 3. Scott Hanson shared his story of how and when he gave his life to follow Jesus. If you have done the same, share with the group when and why you gave your life to follow Jesus. If you have not, share with the group why not. What hesitations, questions, or doubt do you have about the Christian faith?

#### DAVID AKERS WITH COMPASSION INTERNATIONAL

- 1. What is the motivation for giving back? What do you need to remind yourself of to have a mentality that puts others above yourself?
- 2. The players have shared that service, missions, and giving back is important to their life of faith. Regardless of how much money you make, how can you live and serve more generously? Think of specific ways in your everyday life that you can leave a legacy of giving back.
- 3. The mission of Compassion International is to release children from poverty in Jesus' name. Regardless of whether or not you sponsor a child with Compassion, what are some ways that your family, your group, your team, or your church can provide physical blessings to those in need?

## **JORDAN MATTHEWS AND PAUL TRIPP**

- 1. Jordan Matthews' career in Philadelphia was ended unexpectedly in a moment, then replaced by an injury-riddled season in Buffalo. Life wasn't making any sense. Have you ever experienced moments in life that didn't make sense? Maybe you're experiencing one right now. Share those with the group.
- 2. How did you respond, or how are you responding, in confusing moments of life? What were you preaching to yourself, and did this preaching draw you closer to God, or push you farther away?
- 3. Jordan Matthews described the emotions following his trade. Why is it healthy to express such intimate and vulnerable emotions? Why is it dangerous to act as if everything is okay, even when it's not? How can you express more vulnerability and be more honest in your relationships?
- 4. Jordan Matthews shared how his Philadelphia teammates continued to stay in touch and encourage him during their championship run, even though they could have focused on other things. Who do you know who needs to be encouraged? How can you make an intentional effort to reach out to them regularly?
- 5. Paul Tripp said there are a lot of jealous and bitter people out there. Jordan Matthews and Carson Wentz don't seem to be two of them. What needs to happen in their hearts, and in our hearts, to be able to celebrate with other people, even if we miss out on the good times they have experienced?

## TEAM PANEL CONVERSATION, CLOSING REMARKS AND GOSPEL PRESENTATION

- 1. Have everyone write on a piece of paper an obscure fact about themselves that they think no one will know. Choose an answer and have people guess who wrote it. OR, have everyone share their first job.
- 2. A few players shared what their biggest fear was. What is your biggest fear in life, and why?
- 3. What was your favorite moment of The Faith Playbook? What was the most valuable lesson you learned, or was reminded of?
- 4. How have you made your life about yourself, both in the past and recently? How does submitting yourself to Jesus and living for Someone else actually result in freedom?
- 5. In what way have you tried to live life on your own, separate from God? Where do you need to ask God for help today?

