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ALWAYS GIVING GOD YOUR BEST

"We'll praise God if we win and we'll praise God if we lose."

—Coach Grant Taylor in **FACING THE GIANTS**

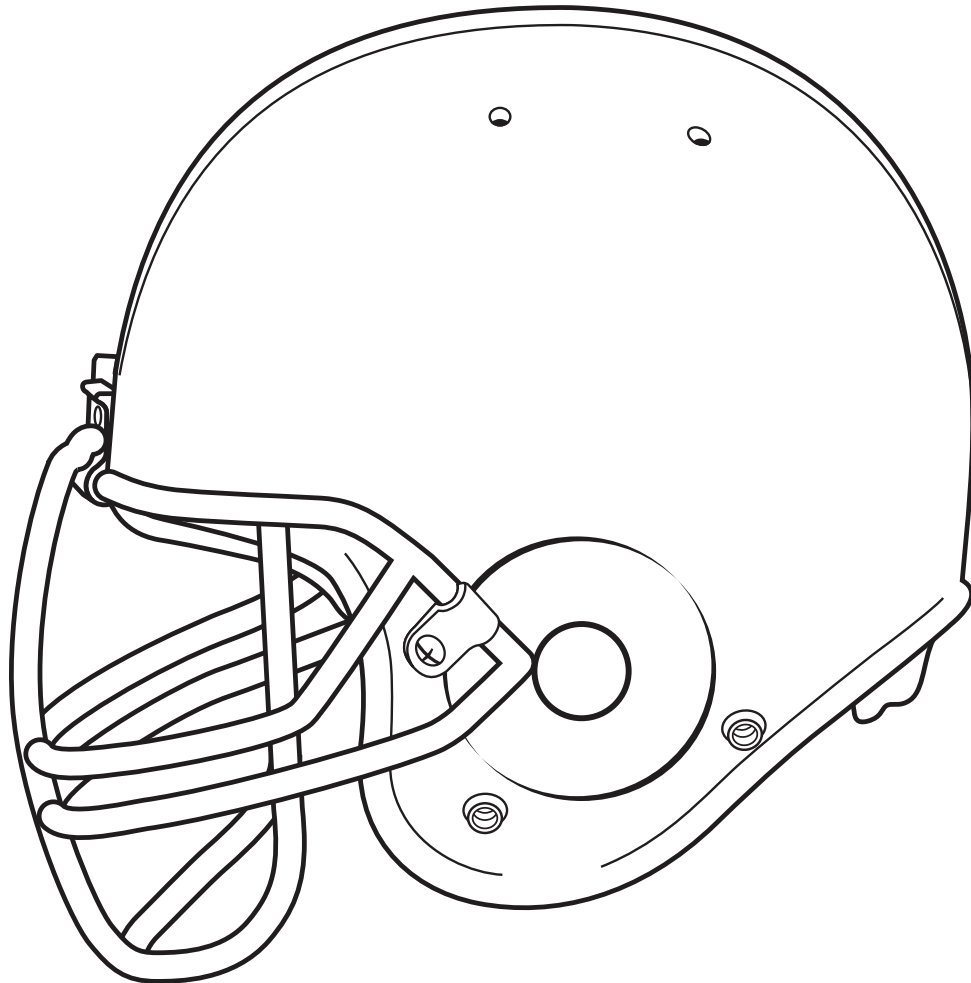
It was the biggest football game of the year ... but it wasn't going the way Don Beebe hoped it would. In fact, his team was losing by 35 points late in the game. By that point, most players have long given up hope.

Things looked even worse for Don's team when they fumbled the ball and one of the defensive players picked it up and started running for a touchdown.

But Don started racing after him as fast as he could. And when the player with the ball started to celebrate *before* he made it to the end zone, Don was able to knock the ball out of his hands to keep the other team from scoring.

While his team ended up losing that championship game 52-17, Don Beebe's commitment is still talked about 14 years after he made the play. Talk about giving God your best no matter what!

Draw the logo and color your favorite team's helmet



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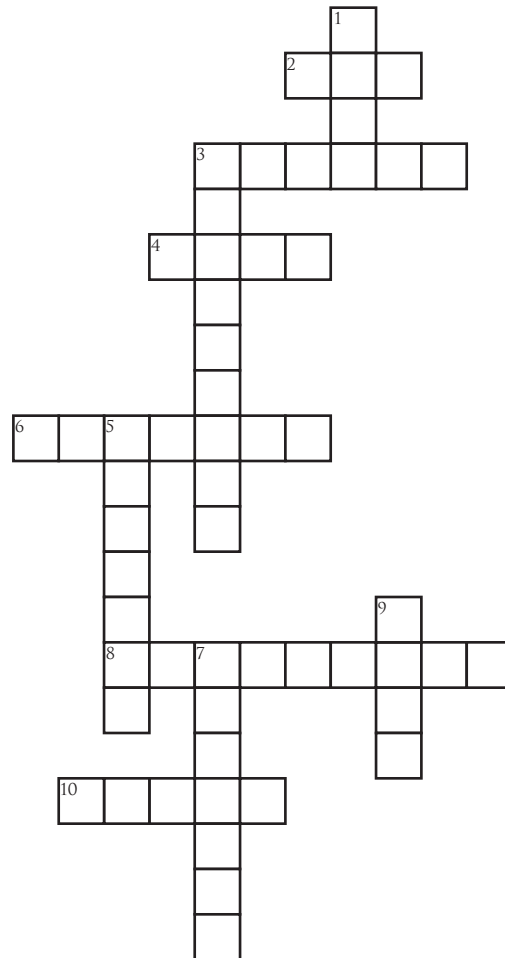
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ACROSS:








- 2) How many points you get for a touchdown
- 3) How the defense stops a player with the ball
- 4) On fourth down, teams often do this to the ball
- 6) The area of the field where you score
- 8) A strong defense
- 10) How many points you get for a field goal

DOWN:

- 1) What teams do with the ball to start the game
- 3) What a score is called
- 5) What your team is playing when the other team has the ball
- 7) What your team is playing when you have the ball
- 9) To throw the ball forward



SOME FUN FOOTBALL FIRSTS

-  **First College Football Game**
November 6, 1869
Rutgers 6, Princeton 4
-  **First Pro Football Champions**
Akron (1920)
-  **First Pro Game on TV**
October 22, 1939
-  **First Pro Football Games**
October 3, 1920
Dayton 14, Columbus 0
Rock Island 45, Muncie 0
-  **Next Pro Football Championship**
Sunday, February 4
-  **First College Player of the Year**
Jay Berwanger, University of Chicago
-  **First Use of a Referee's Penalty Flag**
1948

Across: 2) six 3) tackle 4) punt 6) endzone 8) stonewall 10) three Down: 1) kick 3) touchdown 5) defense 7) offense 9) pass
 Crossword Puzzle Answers:

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“FEAR NOT ...”

In the movie *FACING THE GIANTS*, football coach Grant Taylor realizes that only with God’s help can he tackle the things he’s afraid of.

Is there something you are afraid of?

What is it? (Or maybe, *who* is it?)

How can you trust God to help you handle your fears?

Never, ever forget that ... “with God, all things are possible!” (Philippians 4:13)

How many words can you make from FOOTBALL GAME?

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“STONE WALL! ... STONE WALL!”

Coach Grant Taylor asks his defense to play like they are building a stone wall. That style of defense could stop even the best offense. It's an idea the coach borrowed from the greatest playbook ever: the Bible.

In the book of Nehemiah in the Old Testament, the prophet Nehemiah tells the true story of how he went to Jerusalem to help rebuild the city's protective walls.

“Then I said to them, ‘You see the trouble we are in: Jerusalem lies in ruins, and its gates have been burned with fire. Come, let us rebuild the wall of Jerusalem, and we will no longer be in disgrace.’ ... They replied, ‘Let us start rebuilding.’ So they began this good work.” (Nehemiah 2:17-18)

Remember, God still wants us to build stone walls by doing our best for Him.

Color this jersey with your favorite team's colors



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