

Being on God's team!

*Sparky learns that God has already chosen us to be on His team!*

Flap-Hi Sparky

Sparky -Hi Flap

Flap-Have you been enjoying the game?

Sparky- you bet

Flap-I love the hockey!

Sparky-me too I'm thinking of joining the team! It looks like so much fun!

Flap- what team are you thinking of joining Sparky?

Sparky- The US team of course!

Flap- Do you mean *the* United States team?

Sparky - of course I mean The United States team. Who else would I be playing for?

Flap-But you never ever played hockey before Sparky.

Sparky - No but, I'm a fast learner!

Flap- But Sparky, you can't just roll up and be part of the team.

Sparky- Well how do I get to be part of the team then!

Flap- well the coach chooses you, if he thinks you're one of the best players in the country. But Sparky- you've got to be really, really good to be picked!

Sparky - but I really, really want to play! I think we could win the gold medal and that would be very cool. What's so great about the coach that he gets to decide who plays?

Flap- The coach is really important to the team Sparky, he is the one who chooses the players and teaches them the skills they need to win the game. He knows all of his players and what they do best and he knows how to help them win the game.

Sparky-Yes but I would really like to be on the winning team.

Flap- well we would all love to play on the winning team Sparky. But it's up to the coach and his plans for the team.

Sparky-You're starting to sound like what we learned at Awana!

Flap- Really? What's that?

Sparky - Well... God has a job for each of His children. He guides them in how He wants them to serve Him and others. This is how the church grows and how others come to know Who He is, by how His children behave.

Flap- Wow, that's true! But... how do we find out what job He has for us?

Sparky - Well, first by reading the Bible... and memorizing it... that's why Awana is important.

Flap - O good, I love Awana and memorizing my verses.

Sparky - but that's not all... we ask God too by praying and then listening for Him to direct us.

Flap - I think I need to spend more time reading and praying

Sparky - Me too.. and don't forget

ALL James 1:22 "Do not merely listen to the Word, and so deceive yourselves. DO WHAT IT SAYS!"