

# AIA WITH J WONG

BRINGING ATHLETES CLOSER TO GOD IN A REAL WAY

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The weather in Tucson is just perfect for riding my bike. Thanks again Les for the bike!

## My Soapbox

(This is just a short sharing I wanted to add as something God has really been hitting me with, something that I am excited and passionate about.)

God's Word really is awesome. I've asked God to change my heart regarding His Word. Lately, I have come to the Scriptures with excitement and desire, rather than obligation. The more I read, the more I am awestruck with God and the story He has written. Really take some time to dwell and meditate on this... *The Bible is God's living and active Word.*



Cooking those pancakes... serving the athletes

## Finishing up the Semester

The semester rapidly came to a close! Finals week came and went and our final event of the semester, 140% Deliciousness, went down on December 8<sup>th</sup> during Dead Day (the day before finals start). During this event, we make free pancakes for anyone in the athletic community who came. I would say we had one of the best turnouts in the past few years. Many of the athletes came in waves/groups and we were able to serve and talk to them. I would venture a guess that most of the athletes who came don't really know who we are and what we do. With that said, as our faces become more familiar, we are preparing the way for future engagements. I wrote a long time ago, with sports ministry, ministry of presence is indispensable.

## Reflecting on the Semester

As the semester comes to a close I have been reflecting on how I've done, what I've learned, and overall how it went. One thing I've learned is that I've got a long way to go when it comes to discipleship. On one hand, I've learned a wealth of knowledge and gained so much experience on what it means to make disciples. On the other hand, there's so much more to improve. An important part of discipleship I need to grow in is the simple fact of living life with those I disciple. It's not just about the *formal* times of discipleship, rather the *informal* times are just as, if not more important.

Jon, my campus director, asked what was our highlight from the semester. I would have to say it was making the infomercial for *Principles Speakers Training*. PST is a short conference in Xenia, OH where we learn how to teach the five principles on how to relate God and sport. Jon, Ben, and I made an infomercial to promote the conference to the rest of our AIA staff across the country. It was one of the best times just laughing and connecting with my fellow staffers. If you haven't seen it and want to check it out, type "PST Infomercial" in YouTube or email me and I can send you the link.

Growing with God,  
Jeremy



*Does God care about Sport? Does God care who wins?* These were the last *Key* questions we tackled in our Big Meeting. It's a beautiful thing redeeming the sport world for God's glory and showing athletes a biblical perspective on competition.