

Our mission is to raise up servant leaders for God's kingdom by reaching and discipling college athletes



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## Fall Getaway

The first six weeks of the fall semester is a crucial time that often dictates how the rest of the school year goes. Our top three goals were to meet 100 freshman athletes, launch six discipleship groups, and host a half-day retreat. The goal of the retreat is to help athletes grow in their faith and connect with the larger Indy AIA movement. This past Sunday, October 10th, we hosted our Fall Getaway and the topic was *Audience of One: Finding freedom in the perspective of sport as worship.* Here are a few highlights from the retreat:



- 30 student-athletes from 3 different campuses
- 5 volunteers leading small group discussion
- First AIA retreat for 23 of the students
- 4 wrestlers from Marian & UIndy
- 10 Butler XC & Track athletes
- students inviting and bringing teammates
- growing identity as a city-wide movement
- Matt loved teaching on "Audience of One"
- time to decompress and enjoy fellowship
- helping athletes view sport as an opportunity for worship instead of idolizing it

The following Monday morning, Matt woke up to this text message from a Butler Soccer athlete:

"Hey Matt, sorry for the extremely late text, but it's been all I can think about today. I really enjoyed the discussion today and it was an immense help for me in my journey to fully accept Christ in my life. I'm not really one to reach out about personal stuff or talk about it but if you would have time to talk with me about my takeaways and such from today I would really appreciate it. Thank you for accepting me into this group and letting me come today."

Thank you for partnering with us in this missionary work!



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