







## Meet Coach Kennedy

- Joe Kennedy was an assistant football coach at Bremerton High School from 2008-2016.
- After watching the movie, Facing the Giants, Coach Kennedy felt moved to say a prayer of thanks after each football game.
- He chose to do this by taking a knee at the 50yard line immediately after the game. His prayer took about 30 seconds.

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## Here Come the Players

- After awhile, some players asked the coach if they could join him. "It's a free country," he told them. Eventually, a majority of the team was with him in prayer.
- Coach also participated in pre and post-game prayers with players and gave inspirational speeches to the team with religious references.







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