

Major League Pitcher's No-Hitter Shines Spotlight on His Unwavering Christian Faith

Michael Lorenzen, a Major League Baseball player who recently joined the Philadelphia Phillies, accomplished a remarkable feat by pitching a no-hitter, a rarity in the sport, during a recent game against the Washington Nationals at Citizens Bank Park.

Lorenzen's exceptional performance on the field left fans and commentators in awe, but it was his remarks after the game that caught the attention of many. In an interview with NBC Sports Philadelphia, Lorenzen attributed his success to his Christian faith.

Speaking with humility and gratitude, Lorenzen expressed, "I just had God's grace today and I definitely got to thank God for today. I got to give Him ... all the glory just to be able to keep me calm and trusting in Him." He continued, "Whatever happened, I was just going to trust in Him and that's kind of what I've been doing all season in trying to just lean on Him."

Lorenzen's emphasis on his Christian faith isn't a one-time occurrence. In a subsequent interview, he repeatedly declared, "God is good," and emphasized his unwavering reliance on his faith, stating, "the only thing I can do is just step back and thank God for everything, literally everything that He's done for me."

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This remarkable achievement came just a week after the Phillies announced Lorenzen's addition to their active roster, having acquired him from the Detroit Tigers. A seasoned player with MLB experience, Lorenzen had previously pitched for the Cincinnati Reds and the Los Angeles Angels. His faith is not confined to the field; it also permeates his presence on social media. His Instagram bio reads, "Unashamed of the Gospel of Christ," while his Twitter bio, which references the Bible passage Romans 5:8, underscores his identity as a "Servant."

Lorenzen's mother, Cheryl Lorenzen, took to Twitter to celebrate her son's success, attributing it to God's blessings and urging him to "stay strong in your faith and keep pushing through!"

Incredible night my son. No one is more deserving than you. The Lord has been so good to you! Stay strong in your faith and keep pushing through! 🙏🙏🙏🙏

– Cheryl Lorenzen (@CherylLorenzen) August 10, 2023

Lorenzen's journey to faith has been deeply personal and transformative. In an interview from 2016 with Renewed Strength Fitness, he recounted growing up in a tumultuous environment marked by addiction.

His introduction to Christianity came during his teenage years when he encountered a man preaching about Jesus while he was high on a pier. The encounter left a profound impact on him, leading him to a path of faith and service. He began attending church with his brother and eventually committed his life to Christ.

Michael Lorenzen's journey, from his turbulent upbringing to his transformation through faith, serves as an inspiring example of how Jesus shapes an individual's life and perspective. As fans celebrate Lorenzen's achievements on the

field, they also are drawn to the unyielding commitment to his faith, hopeful that more athletes will feel empowered to openly share their Christian journey. {eo}

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