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Biography

Tommy Short's speaking engagements offer a riveting blend of high-performance insights, deep spiritual wisdom, and the profound lessons learned from a life lived at the intersection of competitive sports and unwavering faith. With an illustrious background as an NCAA and FIBA basketball official, Tommy brings a unique perspective to the stage, combining the discipline of an elite athlete with the introspective depth of a spiritual seeker.

His current journey, a bold 365-day venture without a cell phone, is a powerful testament to his commitment to mindfulness, presence, and the pursuit of an authentic life unencumbered by the distractions of the digital age.

In his talks, Tommy delves into what it means to perform under pressure, not just on the court but in the game of life, drawing parallels between athletic resilience and spiritual endurance.

Tommy's narrative is rich with themes of perseverance, the power of silence, and the transformative potential of faith in everyday life. His ability to weave these elements into compelling stories of triumph and challenge resonates with a broad audience, from corporate teams seeking to elevate their performance to faith-based communities looking for deeper engagement to individuals striving for personal growth in a hyper-connected world.

Tommy empowers his audience as a keynote speaker, leaving them with actionable insights, a renewed sense of purpose, and a deeper connection to their inner strength and potential.





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"Becoming great in any profession begins with a mindset and a cerebral inventory check. Tommy did a fantastic job of reshaping our perspective and emphasizing the importance of mindset in our day to day activities. His messaging & insights are something we lean on when times get tough. I would highly recommend Tommy to any leader who is focused on taking a good team to an elite team!"

Danny Dierking, Senior Area Director, Stryker



"I had Tommy in to speak to my sales team and what a session it was! Mindset in sales is extremely important yet too often overlooked, and Tommy brought this to life with his wonderful storytelling ability. His command of the room is instant and I believe stems from the fact he practices what he preaches in terms of preparation, so he leads by example."

Mark Schnable, VP Sales, ADP

"Tommy first spoke to a small portion of our sales team and did such a phenomenal job, we just had to hire him as our keynote speaker. His presentation was flawless and I would recommend Tommy to present to any team in any organization!"

Missy Parrish, Director of Sales Enablement, Greenlight Guru

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"We had Tommy join us for our 2023 revenue kick off and it was hugely impactful. He helped us set the tone for our entire two day event. Feedback from the team was the it was a great way to get the event kicked off – they asked to have Tommy back again. I recommend anyone work with Tommy if you find that you have a team that is open to personal and professional growth and likes being challenged in their journey of improvement."

Jimmy Speyer, SVP Revenue, Logixboard

"Tommy captivates audiences with his engaging, authentic style, blending personal referee anecdotes into universally relatable, thought-provoking stories. His no-nonsense approach delivers inspiration and actionable insights. Overall, if you want to impress your audience, I highly recommend Tommy as a speaker for your next event."

Gina Glas, Managing Partner, A Classic Party Rental

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Keynote Program Descriptions



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He's a catalyst for enduring change and a beacon of inspiration for those ready to rise to their full potential.

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Do Boring Better



Description

In "Do Boring Better," Tommy champions the transformative power of mastering the fundamentals through daily repetition and discipline. This program delves into how embracing the mundane aspects of our routines can lead to extraordinary achievements. By focusing on attitude, confidence, and effort (A.C.E.), Tommy illustrates that success is built on a foundation of seemingly boring, yet essential, daily practices. He encourages participants to shift their perspective, highlighting that the key to advancement lies not in external validation but in personal commitment and self-evaluation. This approach demystifies the path to excellence, proving that consistency in the basics is what propels individuals and teams to the next level.

- Embrace daily discipline and repetition as a pathway to excellence.
- Understand the critical roles of attitude, confidence, and effort in achieving success.
- Learn to self-evaluate and adjust A.C.E. to navigate challenges and progress toward goals.



Own Your 3ft Circle



Description

"Own Your 3ft Circle" focuses on the profound impact of personal accountability and the power of self-narrative within the space we occupy. Tommy explores the concept of controlling our immediate environment - our 3ft circle - where attitude, confidence, effort, and the stories we tell ourselves shape our reality. This program emphasizes the significance of positive self-talk and the influence of our internal dialogue on our outlook and outcomes. By owning our 3ft circle, we take charge of our journey, making deliberate steps towards our goals and fostering an environment of positivity and growth, both for ourselves and those around us.

- Master personal accountability by controlling your attitude, confidence, and effort.
- Recognize the power of positive self-narrative and its impact on personal and professional life.
- Implement practical steps to foster positivity and progress within your immediate environment.



Tomorrow Me Loves Today's Pain



Description

In "Tomorrow Me Loves Today's Pain," Tommy shares a personal mantra that embodies the embrace of discomfort for future gain. This keynote dives into the concept that today's challenges and pains are investments in our future selves. Tommy discusses the inevitability of discomfort on the path to growth and the importance of maintaining a forward-thinking mindset. By viewing each obstacle as an opportunity for learning and growth, attendees are encouraged to develop resilience and a positive outlook towards future versions of themselves. This program not only prepares individuals to face challenges head-on but also to appreciate the journey of personal and professional development.

- Cultivate a resilience mindset that welcomes discomfort as a catalyst for growth.
- Learn to appreciate the value of present challenges for future success.
- Adopt a forward-thinking approach to personal and professional development, focusing on continuous improvement and learning.



Reconnecting In a Disconnected World



Description

"Reconnecting in a Disconnected World" underscores the critical need for meaningful relationships amidst our digital-heavy existence. Drawing from his extensive background in team dynamics and leadership, Tommy provides practical insights on nurturing authentic communication and trust in teams and communities. This keynote delves into the digital age's challenges and opportunities, championing practices that foster real connections. Tommy uniquely enriches this dialogue with reflections from his transformative 365-day journey without a cell phone, sharing how this experience deepened his understanding of authentic engagement in a world dominated by screens. His advice prepares audiences to cultivate spaces where collaboration and empathy flourish, highlighting authenticity's pivotal role in collective achievement and well-being.

- Foster authentic communication and trust in personal and professional relationships.
- Navigate the challenges of virtual interactions to maintain genuine connections.
- Implement intentional practices that promote empathy and collaboration.



Navigating Change with Grace



Description

In "Navigating Change with Grace," Tommy delves into the dynamics of adapting to change, both expected and unforeseen, in personal and professional realms. Drawing from his rich background in sports officiating and personal development, Tommy offers insights into managing transitions with resilience and mindfulness. This program explores strategies for maintaining balance and focus amid change, emphasizing the importance of emotional intelligence and flexibility. Tommy's approach encourages embracing change as an opportunity for growth and innovation, providing tools to navigate the uncertainties of life and work with confidence and poise.

- Develop strategies for resiliently adapting to change.
- Enhance emotional intelligence to maintain balance amid transitions.
- View change as an opportunity for personal and professional growth.

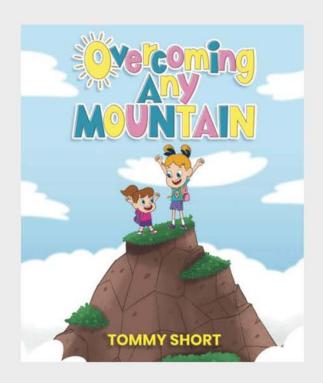




5 Reasons to Book Tommy to Speak

- Transforms mindset for peak performance
- Tailors insights to team dynamics
- 3 Empowers audience with actionable strategies
- Inspires with authentic storytelling
- Champions personal and professional growth

Tommy's Book





Tommy completed an endurance event in the summer of 2022 called 29029 - hiking the equivalent of Mt. Everest in 36 hours.

When he returned home and unpacked the grueling challenge, he started writing down his takeaways from the event and realized those 8 takeaways, after rearranging them on paper, spelled out the word MOUNTAIN:

Maximize your reset button, Own your 3ft circle, Unlock your vision, Never waste pain, Tops of trees, Adversity as fuel, Incredibly intentional & Next aid station.

With two young girls at home, he wanted to come up with a way to share his takeaways with them in a way that would resonate.

"Overcoming Any MOUNTAIN" follows Caroline and Grace, two sisters, as they embark on an unforgettable journey that teaches them life lessons that will last long after they summit the mountain.

Every step instills in them lessons of self-belief, gratitude, and resilience, teaching that fear is manageable, adversity fuels progress, and with belief, all hardships are surmountable.



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