

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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Ice Breaker: What super hero strength did you always wish you had and why? What super heroes did you always hope would get to work together?

Talk It Over Together: *(Note: If your group is only meeting bi-weekly, cover the first 2 discussion questions of each week. If time allows, go back to the remaining questions.)*

1. Read and discuss Exodus 4:1-9. Like Moses, has God's plan ever intimidated you? How did you respond? Read and discuss Exodus 4:10-17. How does Moses eventually respond? How can we grow in our ability to trust and connect to God's plan in our lives?
2. Pastor Dan explained that God had Moses write down God's victory over the Amalekites as a permanent reminder to them to ensure victory in the future. Read Exodus 17:14-15 and 1 Corinthians 1:8. Pastor Dan reminded us that the Lord is our banner and His Cross is our rallying point – giving us renewed strength and victory. How does the Cross represent victory in your life? How does saying "YES" to God help ensure victory over the battles you face? How will you rely on other believers in your life to overcome the battle you are currently facing?
3. Read and discuss Exodus 17:8-13. The Israelites needed to rely on God's power in order to succeed. Have you experienced this in your own life? Have you seen someone else do this? How might you connect to God's power in the future?
4. Re-read Exodus 17:12. Why is it necessary for us to work together? How have you seen connecting to God's people impact someone's life? How might you connect with God's people in the future?

PERSONAL READING

As you read through each passage, consider answering 3 simple questions: What did I learn about God from what I read? What did I learn about myself? What is God asking me to do as a result?

Day 1: David and his Mighty Men—2 Samuel 23:8-39

Day 2: Joshua and Caleb—Numbers 14:1-9 and Joshua 14:6-14

Day 3: Priscilla and Aquilla—Acts 18:18-28

Day 4: Paul and Barnabus—Acts 9:26-28, 13:1-3 and 14:21-28

THE FIGHT OF YOUR LIFE



MESSAGE NOTES & SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

“DON'T GO IT ALONE”

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MESSAGE NOTES

Culturally we have a Super Hero obsession.

Every hero relies on their _____ to beat the enemy.

David and Jonathan and his Mighty Men (*Note: I Chronicles 12; II Samuel 23:8*)

Joshua and Caleb—Established the nation of Israel (*Note: Joshua 1, Numbers 14:3*)

Elijah and Elisha—Prophets who did amazing things (*Note: I Kings 19:19-21*)

Peter and John (*Note: Acts 4*)

Priscilla and Aquilla (*Note: Acts 18:18-28*)

Paul and Barnabas (*Acts 13 & 15*)

When we connect we _____.

When we connect ourselves with God’s plan, God’s Power, and God’s people, we have what is necessary to take ground against the spiritual enemies in our life and see victory.

1. God’s plan deals with our _____.

- A. He doubted his ability to lead, because he thought no one would listen to him.
Connecting with God’s plan has little to do with our _____,
but much to do with our availability.
- B. He was unable to speak with clarity and eloquence.

2. God’s power is _____ when His people work together.

Spiritual attacks come when we are already _____.

Often when we are facing internal battles, _____ battles are right around the corner.

There are times when we must _____ others on our behalf to do some physical fighting so that we have the strength to continue spiritually fighting.

Human beings have an emotional, spiritual, relational, and physical reserve that will _____ allow us to fight on both fronts full time.

When we are involved in physical battles against the flesh, there is a simultaneous spiritual battle occurring that we can’t _____ without God’s help.

When we combine God’s people working together to win the battle physically, and surrender our plans to God to win the battle spiritually, the enemy of our souls is unable to _____.

The _____ volunteers at Riverside are Superheroes in the Kingdom of God who fight the physical battle so that many people can say YES to Jesus as their Lord and Savior.

3. God uses other people’s _____ to help us achieve victory.

The people God places in our life know when help is needed, and they often _____ what to do.

Intervention—Take action to _____ a situation.

We all need and can offer perspective, that will help us overcome spiritual battles.

4. God instructs us to look to past victories to _____ we are victorious in the future.

The _____ is our banner.

Jesus and His work on the Cross is the rallying point, and place of _____ and renewed strength for God’s people.

