Ephesians Part 16 – Standing against Evil June 12, 2022 Discussion Notes

Everyone is encouraged to bring a Bible

(Phone apps are good for reading together in the same translation. Study Bibles give help with interpretation.)



STANDING AGAINST EVIL

- RELY ON GOD'S POWER
- PUT ON GOD'S ARMOR
- UNDERSTAND THE BATTLE
- STAND FIRM

Questions:

- 1. Icebreaker question: Does anyone in the group like to watch war movies? If so, why do you like them? What is your favorite one?
- 2. The sermon focused on standing firm in spiritual battle against evil. What do you remember about each of the main points? What stood out to you or impacted you?
- 3. Read 1 Peter 5:8-9.
 - a) What do you think are some of the main tactics the devil uses to harm people?
 - b) According to this passage, what should we do?
 - c) In what ways does the Lord help us? (Read 1 Peter 5:6-10 to see the wider context of vv. 8-9)
- 4. Read Luke 10:1-3
 - a) How many disciples did Jesus send out on a mission trip?
 - b) Why were they sent out?
 - c) What do you think the wolves represent?
- 5. Read Luke 10:17-20
 - a) Why were the disciples excited?
 - b) Why do you think Jesus redirected their focus?
 - c) What had Jesus seen? What do you think this means?
 - d) What had Jesus given to his disciples? How might this be comforting to us today? (v. 19 might be a good one to memorize!)
- 6. Read Nehemiah 4:1-6.
 - a) What were the words of Sanballat and Tobiah designed to do?
 - b) How is this similar to how the devil tries to work in our lives today?
 - c) How did Nehemiah respond?
 - d) How can we follow Nehemiah's example today?
- 7. Spend some time in prayer together. Ask the Lord to give you His might and wisdom to stand firm against the lies and temptations of the enemy.