



Lesson Two

Armor: Jesus Wins

Bottom Line: We don't fight *for* victory, we fight *from* victory.

Key Scripture: Colossians 2:13-15

A Note To Group Leaders:

Keep in mind the goal of every meeting is to create meaningful conversation and connection. Feel free to choose a few questions for discussion and adjust questions as needed.

Thought Starters

Read Daniel 10:4-10. Is this what you think of when you hear the word “angel?” Why or why not? What has shaped your mental picture of angels?

Read Ephesians 6:10. Looking back at this past week, how did you “stand in the strength of the Lord?”

Questions For Reflection

Read Colossians 2:13-15 In verses 13 and 14, Paul definitively states the case that even in our darkest hour of sin and spiritual death, Christ comes for us. He initiates redemption, nails to the cross every one of our sins and restores us to eternal, spiritual life with Him.

What role do we play in God's plan of salvation?

Read Colossians 2:13-15 again. What does it mean to you to read these words of victory over Satan and his host of fallen angels?

On a daily basis, what in your life should change as a result of these verses of triumph in Scripture? What, if anything is holding you back and where do you need to be cautious?

The Lord Almighty

Scripture refers to Christ as the “Lord Almighty” and “King of Glory” (Psa. 24:10.) He is the God of angel armies, their Commander-in-Chief, leading them into battle for His followers.

Application In Your Life

In the Old Testament, God provided for (*Ex. 16:6-8, 17:1-7*), guided (*Ex. 13:21-22*) and protected His chosen people (*Jer. 50:34*). In the New Testament, God gave us His Son, the King of glory, Jesus Christ as our provision (*John 4:10-14*), our guide (*John 14:5-7, 25-27*) and our protection (*John 17:11*.)

Take a moment to read through these six passages. As you read, write out observations to the following questions. Discuss your observations with your group, spouse or a friend.

- What do you struggle to understand or embrace?
- What did you learn about God, yourself and others?
- What are you being invited to do/
- How do these verses challenge you to become more like Christ in your life?

Table Talk

This week, spend one meal together with your family or a trusted friend discussing the question and memory verse below. Through this time, you will learn how to integrate God's Word into your everyday life and closest relationships.

How would you define freedom? Is anyone truly free? Why or why not?

Read the following verse aloud: *"Having canceled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and that stood opposed to us; He took it away, nailing it to the cross."*

Colossians 2:14

What is your Goliath? Where do you feel trapped, alone or like a prisoner?

Jesus proclaimed He is the Way, the Truth and the Life (John 14:6) and that He came to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to release the oppressed (Luke 4:18.) What does this mean to you and what you are up against?

Close your meal time in prayer, proclaiming Christ's victory and asking God to refine and purify everything in your life to bring you to a sense of freedom in Him.

Go A Little Further



Read 1 Samuel 17 and the story of David's triumph over Goliath.

- Where do you see yourself in this story?
- How does this story challenge you?
- What did you learn about God, yourself and others?
- What are you being invited to do?



Take a few minutes to read Psalm 24, King David's praise for the coming Messiah, the King of glory who will conquer all. Go back and read the verses slowly.

- What does it mean in your present circumstances that the Lord is over everything in the world?
- Where have you been fighting and where do you need the Lord Almighty, the King of angel armies to war on your behalf?



Download and listen to "King of Glory" by Chris Tomlin, off the Arriving album. As you listen, close your eyes and think about Christ commanding the angel armies to battle for you and whatever you face in the hours, days and weeks to come. Praise Him and believe in Him as being strong enough and mighty enough to save you from sin and give you eternal life.

