

# LARGE GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

## 5.6.26 & 5.13.26

### *Ephesians: “Ready For War”*

#### Lesson Summary (Ephesians 6:10-18):

In large group tonight, Pastor Cam is teaching on Ephesians 6:10-18. We learn that we are in the midst of a spiritual war, and we must expect, be prepared for, and stand strong against it. Paul teaches us that we need to put on the full armor of God, which equips us to fight against Satan and evil. We learn that we need Jesus in our lives to win this war and to be able to live our lives to the fullness that He promised us.

#### Key Points:

##### The Situation:

- You are at WAR

##### Big Idea:

- We must EXPECT, PREPARE for, and STAND strong against spiritual warfare

##### Situational Summary:

- What? Be STRONG in the LORD
- How? PUT ON God’s ARMOR
- Why? To STAND against the devil’s SCHEMES

##### Fundamentals for Fighting:

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| 1. <u>TRUTH</u>               | 5. <u>THE HOPE OF SALVATION</u> |
| 2. <u>RIGHTEOUSNESS</u>       | 6. <u>GOD’S WORD</u>            |
| 3. <u>THE GOSPEL OF PEACE</u> | 7. <u>PRAYER</u>                |
| 4. <u>FAITH</u>               |                                 |

#### Why this matters?

- Because you cannot have LIFE TO THE FULL, apart from expecting, preparing for, and standing strong against spiritual warfare!

## Discussion Questions:

1. Did any of you tonight, FOR THE VERY 1<sup>ST</sup> TIME, put your trust in Jesus (and what He did on the cross) to save you from your sins and lead your life? *Leaders, do NOT skip this question! If you have a student who took this step, celebrate this in a BIG way; it's why we exist as a ministry! As always, be sure and log this as a "God win" on the App and/or share this news with Charles/Cam/Mary or TJ...thank you!*
2. Before tonight's lesson were you aware that on a daily basis you are in a spiritual battle? In what ways does that perspective shape how you live day to day, and why do you think it's important to be aware, prepared, and ready to stand firm?
2. We can't win this spiritual war on our own, but Pastor Cam showed us that there is Someone who can. Who is it, and how can fully trusting in Him help turn the tides of the war?
3. Pastor Cam taught us that winning this war doesn't come by tricks, it comes by the fundamentals. Why do you think Paul put so much emphasis on those fundamentals?
4. The Armor of God is a metaphor for how we should live our lives so that we are battle-ready. What is the Armor of God, and can anyone list the pieces? What is the purpose and importance of each piece?
5. One of the pieces is the Sword of the Spirit, which is the Word of God. Why is it so important that we are deeply familiar with what the Bible teaches? How can knowing the Word of God help you in the spiritual war?
6. Although not mentioned as a part of the Armor of God, Paul puts strong emphasis on the power of prayer. Why is prayer so vital, and what steps can we take to strengthen in this area?
7. Why should we put on the FULL Armor of God, rather than just bits and pieces? What are some ways you could put on this armor, and start to live life to the full?