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WEEK ONE: OUR MISSION

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1830 – Fraternization with Fellow Soldiers

Question 1: Have you ever been in a fight?

Question 2: Name three things in your life worth fighting for?

1850 – Company Briefing

“The Reason We Fight” – 2 Corinthians 10; Nehemiah 4:15-23

1. God gave Nehemiah a vision. What was it?
2. The city of Jerusalem, like many ancient cities, had walls surrounding it. What symbolic meanings can we see in the wall?
3. As men, we too are called to build and to fight—just like the men of Israel with Nehemiah. What are you building, and what are you fighting for?
4. Paul tells us in 2 Corinthians what we fight with now, in Christ. What is it?

Notes (use these lines):

1910 - Discussion Questions

How are you going to fight in light of these verses?

Clearly state your objective for this coming week:

Write down the name, email, phone number, and requests of the men in your foxhole.

Pray with each other.

1940 - Dismissed

WEEK TWO: FOXHOLES

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1830 – Fraternization with Fellow Soldiers

Question 1: Who would carry your casket if you passed away tomorrow?

Question 2: What’s your definition of a “good friend”?

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Real Accountability / Real Man Relationship – Ecclesiastes 4:7-12; Luke 10:1-12

Here are some similarities between the need for two-man foxholes and men needing relationship in our context:

- Two are better than one, because of the return for their work.
- If one falls down, someone is there to lift him up. If you fall alone, you die alone.
- Two can keep warm. One will freeze to death.
- If you fight two-on-one, two win. Now add in the Holy Spirit.
- Even Jesus sent them out in pairs, knowing the evil of isolation.

Notes (use these lines):

1910 - Practice Digging Foxholes

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WEEK THREE: COMBAT SITUATIONS

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Question 1: What is the biggest challenge you are facing right now?

Question 2: What has been your first response in dealing with this challenge?

1850 – Company Briefing

How to Fight in the Heat of Battle — 1 Corinthians 10:12-14

1. Look for God’s way.
2. Trust in God.
3. Run.
4. Don’t do what you’ve been doing. If you’re still in sin, it’s not working.

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WEEK FOUR: TAKE AN ORDER, SOLDIER!

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Question 1: How do you respond when you are told what to do?

Question 2: What is your definition of rebellion?

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The Necessity of Taking Orders — Luke 6:46; Luke 10

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WEEK FIVE: WEAPONRY

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Question 1: What does the phrase “filled with the Spirit” mean to you?

Question 2: What does it look like to use God’s written Word as a weapon?

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Empty-Handed or Spirit-Empowered?

- Ephesians 6:10 – The Scripture
- Hebrews 4 – The cutting, soul-piercing power of God’s Word
- Psalm 119:9-11 – God’s Word, conjoined with His Spirit in us, keeps us from sin
- Joshua 1 – God’s Word should be devoured and meditated on—around us, all the time
- Proverbs 3:5-7 – God’s Word keeps us from impurity and straying from God
- Psalm 1 – We are blessed by keeping, meditating on, and living His Word

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WEEK SIX: PATROLS

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Question 1: What is your least favorite thing you have to do in your life?

Question 2: Why is it so hard to do the things we don't like to do, yet know we have to do?

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Faithfulness, Character, Commitment — Colossians 3:23-24; Zechariah 4:10; Matthew 26:36-46

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WEEK SEVEN: CODE OF CONDUCT

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Question 1: Do you think there's a different set of rules you're supposed to live by as you follow Christ?

Question 2: What marked differences would someone notice between you and a friend who doesn't follow Christ?

1850 – Company Briefing

An Officer's Code of Conduct — “Others may, you may not.”

- 1 Corinthians 6:12; 10:23
- Proverbs 12
- 2 Timothy 2:1-13

Band of Brothers-

"Never put yourself in a position where you can take from these men".
Colonel Richard Winters

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WEEK EIGHT: MEN OF HONOR

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Question 1: Give a brief definition of “honor.”

Question 2: What is the most honorable thing you’ve ever done? What is the most dishonorable thing you’ve ever done?

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Honor (Merriam-Webster)

a: a keen sense of ethical conduct : integrity (“wouldn’t do it as a matter of honor”)

b: one’s word given as a guarantee of performance (“on my honor, I will be there”)

- Psalm 15
- Joshua 14:6-15
- Proverbs 3:1-12; 22:1; 24:8

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WEEK NINE: COURAGE

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Question 1: What situation, circumstance, or decision right now do you feel you need courage for?

Question 2: How would seeing this situation through the lens of courage change the way you approach it?

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- Joshua 1:9
- Deuteronomy 31:6-8
- Psalm 27:1, 14
- Isaiah 41:10
- 2 Timothy 1:7
- 1 Corinthians 16:13
- Psalm 56:3-4
- Acts 4:29-31

Courage isn't the absence of fear—it's obedience in the presence of fear because God is with you and His Spirit strengthens you.

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