

Session 8:

Spiritual Warfare

Small Group Study Guide

1. Introduce the session

5 minutes

Key verse

“Deliver us from the evil one” – Matthew 6:13

- In this session, we'll look closely at the ways we can pray God's kingdom come in the midst of a spiritual battle.
 - Begin the session by opening in prayer.
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2. Watch the Video

25 minutes

Bible passages

Ephesians 6:11-14

Summary points

- The Bible is clear that we're in a spiritual battle.
 - Jesus was speaking into a culture of different worldviews.
 - Remember the armour of God.
 - Pray it. Practice it. Preach it.
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3. Discussion Questions

20 minutes

- Q. What did you find most helpful or most challenging in the video?
- Q. How do you find that you approach spiritual warfare: do you relate to any of the worldviews of the Sadducees, Essenes or Pharisees that Pete mentioned?
- Q. How do we get the balance right between the reality of spiritual warfare and focusing on Jesus?

“When we pray for God’s Kingdom come it’s because it’s not automatic... we have to pray it in.”

- Q. How does this reality affect the way that we do spiritual warfare?
- Q. What are the strongholds - greed, arrogance etc - in your home, work or community context? How can you live in the “**equal but opposite spirit**” this week?

4. Do it

10 minutes

In smaller groups, revisit the goals that you set at the beginning of the prayer course to grow in prayer and your relationship with God.

Encourage everyone to share one thing that they’ve learnt and will take away from The Prayer Course into their daily lives.

Toolshed resources: Listening

These can be found at prayercourse.org/toolshed

- Warfare Prayer
- How to Fast
- How to Prayer Walk