

## 2 Samuel 21b-22 - When the Enemy Attacks

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- 2) The enemy will always keep \_\_\_\_\_ - so we need to keep \_\_\_\_\_
- 3) Our three main enemies are the \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_, and the \_\_\_\_\_

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*Romans 15:9*

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- a) Make God your \_\_\_\_\_ savior.
  - b) Make time to \_\_\_\_\_
  - c) Recognize your \_\_\_\_\_ and God's \_\_\_\_\_
  - d) Stand in this truth: Because of His forgiveness, you are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_
  - e) God gives the \_\_\_\_\_ - but He still commands us to \_\_\_\_\_
  - f) Find your \_\_\_\_\_ in Jesus.
- 4) Even in \_\_\_\_\_, God has a \_\_\_\_\_ - and if nothing else, it is to invite you into a closer, more intimate relationship with Jesus.

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### 2 Samuel 21:15-22 A Giant Problem

*Ephesians 2:1-3*

- 1) God is the one who defeats GIANTS
- 2) The enemy will always keep ATTACKING - so we need to keep RESISTING
- 3) Our three main enemies are the WORLD, the FLESH, and the DEVIL

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*James 4:6,10*

*Philippians 2:12-13*

*2 Samuel 22:36b-38*

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#### **Ways We Should Be Like David:**

- a) Make God your PERSONAL savior.
  - b) Make time to PRAY
  - c) Recognize your WEAKNESS and God's STRENGTH
  - d) Stand in this truth: Because of His forgiveness, you are HOLY and PERFECT
  - e) God gives the VICTORY - but He still commands us to FIGHT
  - f) Find your IDENTITY in Jesus.
- 4) Even in TRIALS, God has a PURPOSE - and if nothing else, it is to invite you into a closer, more intimate relationship with Jesus.

**Romans 8:31-39** - "[31] What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? [32] He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? [33] Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. [34] Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us. [35] Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? [36] As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter." [37] Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. [38] For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, [39] nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

#### APPLICATION FOR TODAY

- 9) Who/what is your rock? Who/what do you take refuge in? Who/what do you call upon in your distress?
- 10) In what area or discipline is God calling you to put in more effort spiritually?
- 11) What do you most need to remember or put into practice from this week's message or homework?

#### PRAYER REQUESTS

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### Life Group Homework For the week of March 19, 2023

#### GETTING TO KNOW YOU

- 1) Look at the following ways David describes God in 2 Samuel 22. Which one(s) are most meaningful to you right now, and why?
 

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|-----------------------|----------------|-------------------------|
| -My Rock              | -My Fortress   | -My Deliverer           |
| -My Strength          | -My Shield     | -Horn of My Salvation   |
| -My Stronghold        | -My Refuge     | -My Savior              |
| -My God               | -The Most High | -My Support             |
| -My Lamp              | -My Power      | -The God Who is Alive   |
| -Perfect              | -Proven        | -The Avenger            |
| -Rock of My Salvation |                | -The Tower of Salvation |

#### REVIEW

- 2) Write a haiku (or another short poem) summarizing 2 Samuel 21:15 - 22:51.
- 3) What stood out to you from this week's message? What questions did you have?

#### DIGGING DEEPER

- 4) This week, we talked about our three main enemies - the world, the flesh, and the devil. Which one do you think is the biggest threat to you right now? Why?
- 5) What stands out to you from the following passage?

**Matthew 4:1-11** - "[1] Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. [2] And when He had fasted forty days and forty nights, afterward He was hungry. [3] Now when the tempter came to Him, he said, "If You are the Son of God, command that these stones become bread." [4] But He answered and said, "It is written, 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.' " [5] Then the devil took Him up into the holy city, set Him on the pinnacle of the temple, [6] and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down. For it is written: 'He shall give His angels charge over you,' and, 'In their hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone.' " [7] Jesus said to him, "It is written again, 'You shall not tempt the LORD your God.' " [8] Again, the devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. [9] And he said to Him, "All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me." [10] Then Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! For it is written, 'You shall worship the LORD your God, and Him only you shall serve.' " [11] Then the devil left Him, and behold, angels came and ministered to Him."

In what ways did Satan tempt Jesus?

What might these temptations look like today?

What tactics or techniques did Jesus use to resist Satan?

What does the following verse look like practically today?  
**James 4:7-8** - "[7] Therefore submit to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. [8] Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded."

6) **Ephesians 6:10-12** says - "[10] Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might. [11] Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. [12] For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places."

Do you think it's possible to give Satan and his demons too much thought, or too little thought? Why or why not?

7) What stands out to you from the following verses?  
**Galatians 6:8-9** - "[8] For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life. [9] And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart."

**1 Peter 2:11** - "Beloved, I beg you as sojourners and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul,"

What helps you remember that your flesh is an enemy that wages war against your soul? Why is this important?

8) How do the following verses help or strengthen you?  
**Romans 8:18** - "For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us."

**Romans 8:28** - "And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose."