



Weekend Resources

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Waging Peace - Offering Hope To A
World at War

Use these questions and resources during your study time or with your group.

RECAP: We live in a world where outrage often feels like the default setting—online, in politics, even in our personal relationships. This week's message reminds us that the real war is not against one another but against the forces that would keep us divided and bitter.

MAIN POINTS

- Don't Sacrifice Your Presence
- Stand Your Ground On Unity
- Don't Concede Your Hope
- Don't Surrender Your Voice
- Don't Arm Yourself With Anger

GETTING STARTED

- Think of a time when you felt peace (big or small) — maybe in nature, with family, reading, etc. What was that moment like, and what made it feel peaceful?

SCRIPTURE

- [Ephesians 4:1-4](#), [Ephesians 4:15](#), [Ephesians 4:26](#)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What does it mean for you, personally, to *"Walk in a manner worthy of the calling"* God has given you?
- Which of the five ways to "wage peace" feels the hardest for you right now and why? (See Main Points)
- Ephesians 4:15 calls us to *"Speak the truth in love"*. How does this differ from how often truth is spoken in today's polarized culture? Can you give an example?
- In Ephesians 4:26, we read *"In your anger do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger..."* What does healthy anger look like? Can you give an example? How can it move us toward peace instead of division?
- The message reminded us that our *unity is not our uniformity* - it's the Spirit of God that holds us together. How does this encourage you when you encounter other followers of Jesus who see the world differently than you do?

APPLICATION

- Think about your online presence: what would it look like to "wage peace" the next time you're tempted to comment, repost, or argue?
- Is there a relationship where you need to take the first step of reconciliation, even if it's just sending a text or making a call? What's stopping you?
- Where do you sense cynicism or hopelessness creeping into your view of the world? How can you intentionally choose hope this week?
- Consider one concrete way you can use your voice to speak the truth in love - whether in your workplace, with your family, or among friends.

RESOURCES

- Closing prayer: ***Jesus, You are the Prince of Peace. In a world that feels increasingly divided, help us remember that our true battle is not against each other but against the enemy who delights in our division. Teach us to stay present with one another, to stand firm in unity, to hold onto hope, to speak the truth in love, and to lay down anger before it poisons our hearts. Fill us with Your Spirit so that we might bring peace into our homes, our neighborhoods, and our world. May we be people who wage peace in Your name. Amen.***