## WINNING THE WAR IN YOUR MIND Part 3: Reframe Your Circumstances

**Objective:** To help us learn how to view our circumstances from God's perspective and not just our own.

Now I want you to know, brothers and sisters, that what has happened to me <u>has</u> <u>actually served to advance the gospel</u>. <sup>13</sup> As a result, it has become clear throughout the whole palace guard and to everyone else that <u>I am in chains for Christ</u>. <sup>14</sup> And <u>because</u> <u>of my chains</u>, most of the brothers and sisters have become confident in the Lord and <u>dare all the more to proclaim the gospel without fear</u>.

Phil 1:12-14

If any of you <u>lacks wisdom</u>, you should <u>ask God</u>, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and <u>it will be given to you</u>.

James 1:5

What, then, shall we say in response to these things? If <u>God is for us</u>, who can be against us?

Romans 8:31

...we know that in <u>all things God works</u> for the <u>good</u> of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

Romans 8:28

- Which part of this message was most impactful for you and why?
- Would you say you tend to have a more positive mindset or a negative one? How could you start training your mind to look for God in every situation?
- Share about a time when you saw Jesus bring meaning and purpose to your pain.
- Everyone has a personal struggle they're facing. What's yours? How can you look for God in it?

**Consider this week:** Spend time praying over the struggles everyone's facing. Ask God not only for comfort but also for eyes to see His goodness, even in the middle of pain.

**Final Thought:** Take the time this week to practice reframing your circumstances. Don't forget to ask God for wisdom and trust that he is working through every circumstance for your good.

