



GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE – **THIS IS WAR!** - Wk 4

ARRIVAL / CONNECTING and SNACK: (15 minutes)

Spend the first 15 minutes or so of your time together catching up and socializing with one another. Follow up on prayer requests and any action steps from your last time together.

SHORT OPENING PRAYER FOR YOUR TIME TOGETHER: (2 minutes)

VIDEO: if you have access, watch the In Group Video on our website or our App (4 minutes)

SCRIPTURE and DISCUSSION: (50 minutes) Have everyone open their Bibles to **2 Samuel 11**. Have one person read each section slowly enough for all to enjoy. Discuss the questions that follow.

Satan's ultimate goal is to destroy us. However, Satan uses subtle tactics to subdue us. There are 3 tactics of Satan that we are going to talk about in our time:

Foothold -- a position where Satan can begin to **direct** your life.

Stronghold -- a position where Satan can begin to **dominate** your life.

Chokehold -- a position where Satan can begin to **destroy** your life.

SCRIPTURE Reading #1 -> 2 Samuel 11:1-3

- Where was David supposed to be and how did this set him up to be directly influenced by Satan?
- What are vulnerable areas in your life where you need to be careful Satan does not gain a foothold?
1 Peter 5:8 -> "Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour."
- What does it look like for you to be spiritually alert and of sober mind?

SCRIPTURE Reading #2 -> 2 Samuel 11:4

- Why would David risk his kingdom, his honor, his own family's security by committing adultery?
- What are some satanic strongholds that you have seen Satan use to dominate the lives of other followers of Christ?

SCRIPTURE Reading #3 -> 2 Samuel 11:5-15

- Where was the moment that the stronghold in David's life became a chokehold?

SCRIPTURE Reading #4 -> 2 Peter 1:3-4

- How does God's word help break the grip of Satan in our lives based on the verse above?

SURRENDER: (10 minutes) Share with your group what area in your life is the most predisposed to a satanic chokehold and how you would like prayer to stay clear of or "break Satan's grip."

CLOSING PRAYER: (10 minutes) Spend time praying for one another and encouraging each other to "remain steadfast."