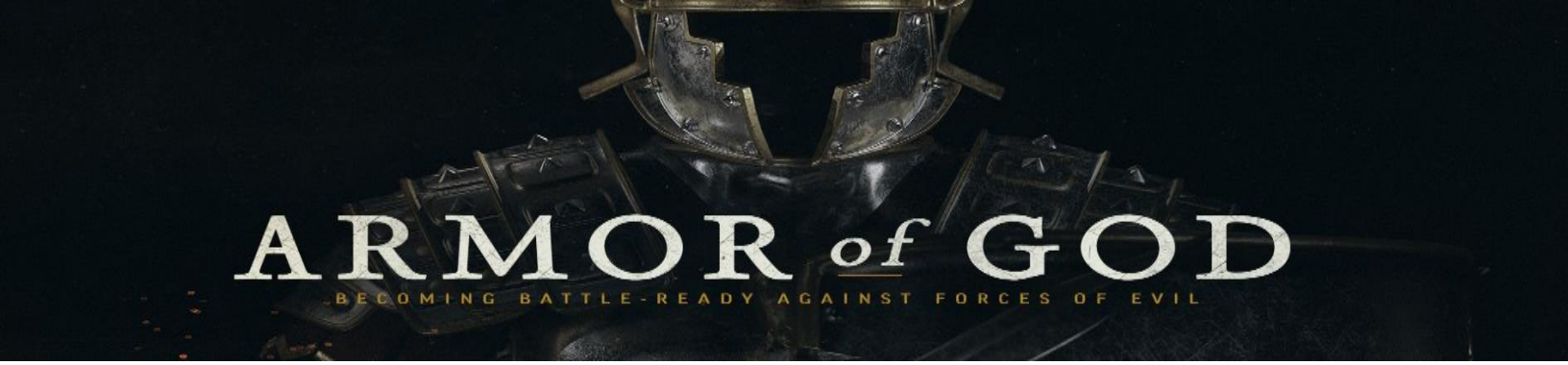


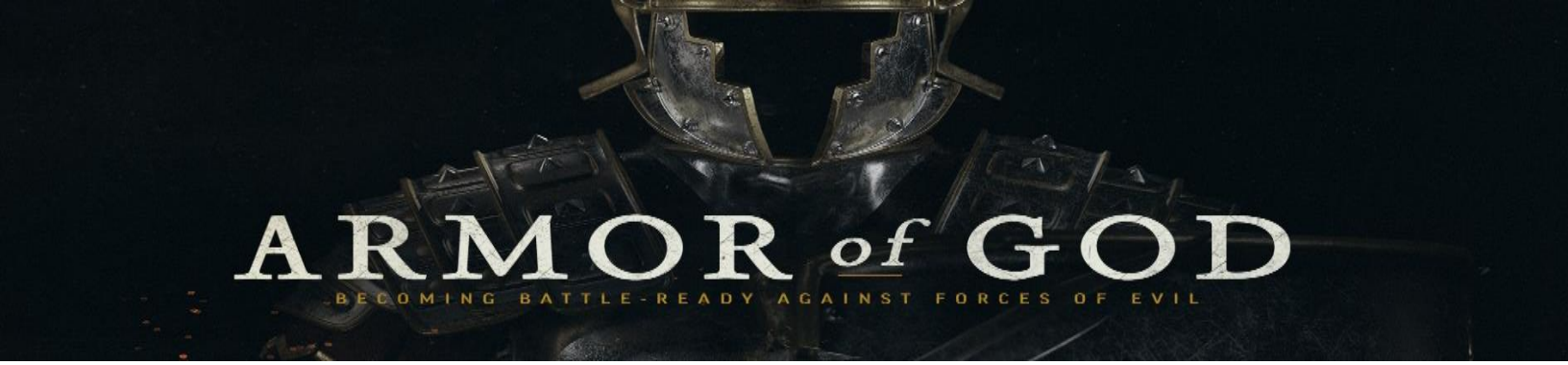
Fearless -- Ephesians 6:19-20

Discussion Questions

1. **When you heard the seven fear archetypes (the procrastinator, the rule follower, the people pleaser, the outcast, the self-doubter, the excuse maker, and the pessimist), did any of them resonate with you? Which one, and why?**
2. **Think about a time when fear stopped you from doing something you believed you were supposed to do. What did that experience feel like?**

Going Deeper

3. **The sermon defined fearlessness as having a deep faith and trust in God's presence, protection, and promise so that fear does not control our actions. How is that different from simply not feeling afraid? Why does that distinction matter?**
4. **Paul was literally in chains when he wrote Ephesians 6:19-20, and yet he still identified himself as an ambassador. What does that tell us about the relationship between our circumstances and our calling?**
5. **The sermon pointed out that fear can distort our perception of what is true. How have you seen fear cause you to believe something about yourself, others, or God that did not line up with Scripture?**
6. **Read Isaiah 41:10 together as a group. The verse describes God strengthening, helping, and upholding his people. In what area of your life do you most need to receive that promise right now?**
7. **The sermon drew a distinction between fearing the Lord -- standing in awe and reverence of who he is -- and the kind of fear that paralyzes and controls us. How does a deeper awe of God actually reduce the fears that hold us back?**



8. **The sermon said that as ambassadors, we negotiate terms on behalf of the King. When someone says "you don't understand my past" or "I'm too far gone," what truths from Scripture can we bring into that conversation?**

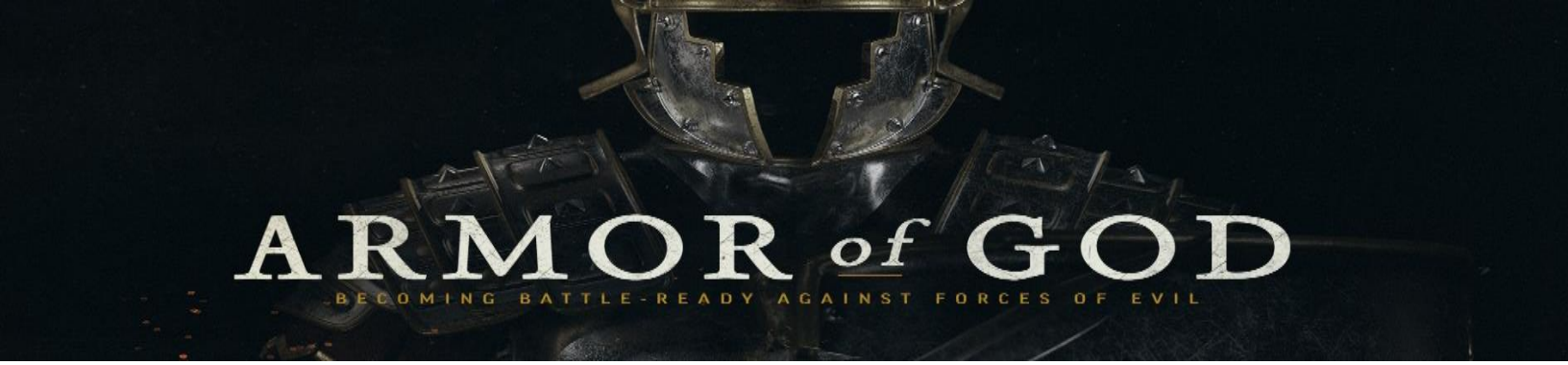
Personal Reflection

9. **The sermon raised the question of what it means to be "spiritually asleep" (Ephesians 5:14). In what area of your faith do you sense that you may be coasting or going through the motions rather than walking in full surrender?**
10. **2 Chronicles 16:9 describes God searching the whole earth for hearts that are fully committed to him. If you are honest with yourself, what is one thing competing with God for your whole heart right now?**

Practical Applications

This week, choose at least one of the following:

- **Write down the fear that most consistently holds you back from sharing your faith or stepping into what God has called you to do. Pray over it specifically, using Isaiah 41:10 as a framework. Ask God to replace that fear with his strength and presence.**
- **Identify one person in your life who is "uninformed" -- not hostile, just unaware -- of who God is and what he has done. Pray for that person daily this week and ask God for one natural opportunity to be his ambassador in that relationship.**



- **Reflect on where you have been trying to control God rather than trust him. Write out a short, honest prayer of surrender in that specific area. If you are comfortable doing so, share it with your group or with one trusted person who can pray with you and hold you accountable.**
- **Memorize 2 Timothy 1:7 this week. Recite it whenever a fear begins to shape your decisions or distort your thinking.**
