STUDY GUIDE

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[setting it up]

What are you celebrating this week?

How did you do in putting to practice the things we talked about the last time we met?

There are two primary errors when it comes to spiritual warfare—over-emphasis and under-emphasis. Some blame every sin, every conflict, and every problem on demons that need to be cast out. Others completely ignore the spiritual realm and the fact that the Bible tells us our battle is against spiritual powers.

Which tendency is yours—over-emphasis or under-emphasis? How do you think that tendency is impacting your walk with Christ?"

[digging deeper]

Have someone read Luke 8:26-39 out loud.

Have another person read Luke 8:26-39 out loud (Preferably in a different version of the Bible).

Ask yet a third person to share the story found in Luke 8:26-39 in their own words while other add in some details and content that they might have forgotten.

What do we learn about Jesus as a "Searcher" in this passage?

What do we learn about ourselves as the recipients of His searching?

What do we learn about Jesus as a "Rescuer" in this passage?

What do we learn about ourselves as the ones being rescued?

Have someone read Ephesians 6:10-20.

What are your observations about spiritual warfare from this passage?

Have someone read 2 Timothy 2:24-26.

What are your observations about spiritual warfare from this passage?

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[living it out]

We learned on Sunday that when Jesus rescues:

- We sit at His feet, v. 35a
- We see through His mind. v. 35b
- We share what He's done. v. 38-39

Which of these do you need to activate most? How will you activate it? Who will help you? When will you start?

Provide copies of the CVC guide to Spiritual Warfare Prayer for every person in the group.

Spend time using the CVC guide to Spiritual Warfare Prayer as a guide for your closing prayer. (Each person in the group could pray in their own words through the paragraphs sequentially.)

Ask everyone to silently identify someone who they think might be being influenced demonically.

Ask everyone to spend time in quiet prayer for that someone who they think might be being influenced demonically.