

LIFE GROUP SERMON APPLICATION AND DISCUSSION GUIDE

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To help guide discussion in your Life Groups this week, please review your notes and scripture readings from Sunday and discuss the following sermon points and next steps.

Psalm 3:7-8 (ESV) Arise, O Lord! Save me, O my God! For you strike all my enemies on the cheek; you break the teeth of the wicked. Salvation belongs to the Lord; your blessing be on your people!

Mark 10:27

Psalm 5:3

2 Samuel 15:25-26

Psalm 139:23-24

David was under attack from his own son, Absalom, and was certainly no stranger to adversity. Many times, in David's life, he was under attack from a foe, and he describes his foes as a ferocious lion. The power of the lion is primarily in its teeth and jaws to subdue and devour its prey. How do we defeat a lion? By striking it where it will do the most damage. David knew that God had, can, and would continue to deliver a precise and deciding blow to his foes. Like David, we can trust God to do the same in our life. What are the steps you can take to allow God to do that?

1. Look Back for Strength and Encouragement
 - a. What can you look back on and remember where God had given you victory?
2. Look forward with faith and expectation
 - a. Read Psalm 5:3 and discuss
3. Keep Your Side of the Street Clean
 - a. Read 2 Samuel 15:25-26 & Psalm 139:23-24 and discuss

Who is your foe right now? Remember, our battle isn't against flesh and blood, but against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places (Ephesians 6:12).

Why is it important to first look inward before looking outward to identify our foe?

Take some time and pray for each other that God would deliver a precise and deciding blow to your foe and that each person would be surrendered to God's process of deliverance.