



LIFE GROUP | **DISCUSSION GUIDE**
GUEST SPEAKER

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SESSION: PICKING A FIGHT

OVERVIEW: If we aren't fighting the external battles, we will start fighting internal battles within the church. The first step to picking a fight is recognizing the initial pain point. If we're going to actually fight, we need to be bothered enough in the reality we are currently losing. Second is praying for vision of what could be. Next is to create a plan and write it down. Then pray for wisdom. Ask God to show you what to do, how to do it, and when to do it. Motion brings clarity when it comes to following the will of God. Maintain poise. Expect resistance. Anything worth doing for the kingdom of God is not going to be easy. Finally, accept the power of the Holy Spirit that is offered to you. If a vision or fight is too big for you, it just might be from God.

KEY SCRIPTURE:

Nehemiah 1:3-4

Read Nehemiah 2 (cultivating prayer)

Nehemiah 6:15-16

Ephesians 6:12 - "For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms."

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. Ice Breaker: Share about a time you fought with a sibling, spouse, parent, etc. What was it about? How did you get through it?
2. Have you ever had to wrestle with God through a hard situation, conflict with another person, or unmet expectations? What did that look like for you?
3. Which of the 6 steps do you typically get stuck in (recognizing the pain area, praying for vision, creating a plan, praying for wisdom, maintaining poise, or believing for power)?
4. Is there a seemingly impossible situation in your life God is asking you to fight for?

PRAYER:

Spend time praying together as a group. Give everyone in your group an opportunity to accept God's invitation to relationship through Jesus. Pray for vision, wisdom, and poise in fighting the battles in front of you. Pray the Armor of God over each person.