

Home Group Questions

the week of 01/20/2019

Numbers 13:25-14:10

LEARNING TO CONQUER

GETTING STARTED...

This past Sunday, Pastor Mel continued his series on the ordinary, superheroes of the Old Testament as we built the chronological redemption story. This week, Moses sent out 12 spies to investigate the land that God had promised them. Ten of the spies came back with a negative report, believing that the challenges of conquering the land were too great for the Israelites. Two of them Joshua and Caleb, came back believing that God would ultimately give them the victory in overcoming those challenges.

LOOKING IN THE WORD...

Read Numbers 13:25 – 14:10 which records the report the spies give after spying out the land for 40 days.

What are some things that surprise you about this passage? What could have happened in the hearts and minds of the 10 spies who doubted God's ability to give them victory?

The Lord often illustrates physically in the Old Testament what He desires for us spiritually today. The Lord's goals are far more than just delivering us from the penalty of sin, but His desire is to give us a life of abundance (spiritual abundance not necessarily physical abundance) and victory in our lives.

Take some time to share various things that have become obstacles in obtaining an abundant, victorious life.

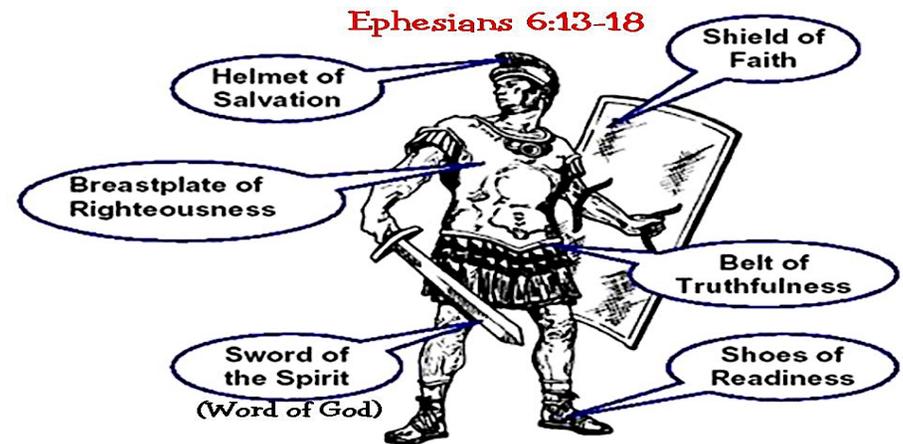
Read Hebrews 3:7-19. What are some principles that the writer of Hebrews is making to our lives today from the experience of the Jews in the wilderness?

Often, believers get stuck in spiritual mediocrity because they refuse to enter into the battle that can give them victory in their lives. Pastor Mel

shared that we must enter into a "battle" in order to conquer new territory spiritually.

Read Ephesians 6:13-18 and refer to the illustration below. God has done His part to give us victory. This passage highlights the attitude and actions we must display in order to win victory in our lives.

What principles can you draw from Ephesians that apply to our journey to spiritual maturity? Talk about the armor of God, which components can be used defensively, offensively or both? How does that apply to our lives and how we utilize each piece of the armor?



Below are steps that can aid people in their journey to victory in their spiritual lives. Discuss these steps and how you can apply them to specific obstacles you are facing in your life to triumph and have victory in your life.

Trust in Christ as your Lord/Savior

Recommit to obedience

Immerse yourself in God's Word/Prayer

Utimize God's way of escape

Make changes to avoid temptation in the future

Put on the full armor of God (daily)

Have an accountability partner in your life