



UNSEEN

SESSION 2 - UNSEEN BATTLE

SERIES BIG IDEA

Learning to see the unseen helps us recognize that our story is part of God's bigger story of redemption.

MESSAGE BIG IDEA

Every one of us is in an unseen battle that God equips us to fight.

SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 6:10-18

ICEBREAKER AND OPENING THOUGHT

1. Have you ever played with optical illusions? What do you think of them?
2. Read and discuss the quote from C.S. Lewis: "There are two equal and opposite errors into which our race can fall about the devils. One is to disbelieve in their existence. The other is to believe and to feel an excessive and unhealthy interest in them. They themselves are equally pleased by both errors, and hail a materialist or magician with the same delight." Where do you fall in this debate?

BIBLE DISCUSSION

3. Read Ephesians 6:10-18, what sticks out to you? What struck you?
4. Why do you think most of the armor is defensive (not offensive)? What point do you think Paul could be making here?
5. Which piece of armor do you want to cultivate?

LIFE APPLICATION

6. Popular thinking around spiritual warfare can lead us to one of three options: ignoring them, obsessing over them, or finding a middle way between the two. Which way do you typically handle thinking about spiritual warfare?
7. How could it look to give spiritual beings and the unseen realm attention while not giving them power over our lives?
8. Have you ever experienced something that felt like a spiritual battle? What was it like?
9. In the Ephesians passage, we read about the spiritual armor of God. Everything about this spiritual armor centers on remembering who we are and whose we are. How can you stand firm in the truth of that? What do you need to remember?
10. When going through hard times, how do you remember to prayer through it? Is prayer something that comes naturally or is it more work?

CHALLENGE

Go around your group and encourage everyone to pick one piece of armor to pray about this week. Then encourage your group to pray for each other that this week they'll have their eyes opened by God to see how they can be standing firm in truth, in prayer, and together.