

9/16/2018 – The Line

SMALL GROUP HOMEWORK

Welcome to Fall 2018 sermon-based small groups! To prepare for your time together, fully answer the questions below and be prepared to share your answers with the group. Have a great meeting!

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

1. What's the best piece of advice you've ever been given?

2. If you could invite three people, dead or alive, to a dinner party, who would they be and why?

3. What was impactful to you from this weekend's message?

INTO THE BIBLE

In this week's message we heard, "Many of Satan's schemes start by putting information into our minds that puts our focus in the wrong place." Through this study, let's look at how God gives us protection in the middle of real life.

1. Read 2 Corinthians 10:3-5.
 - A) In verse 3, what does Paul mean when he says, "for though we walk in the flesh"?

 - B) As we continue this verse, what does Paul means by, "we do not war according to the flesh"?

 - C) In verses 4-5, what does Paul say that our weapons of warfare do?

2. Read Ephesians 6:10. What is our only power source to fight spiritual battles?

3. Reread 2 Corinthians 10:5. What picture do you get in your mind do you get when you hear the phrase “taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ”?

4. Read Philippians 4:4-8.

A) (Verse 4) i.) What does it mean to you to “rejoice in the Lord always”? ii.) What’s the significance of Paul saying this twice?

B) (Verse 5) What does it mean to have a “gentile spirit” and why is that important?

C) (Verse 6) What are the contrasting approaches to dealing with problems or hardships in our lives?

We started this lesson by saying, “Many of Satan’s schemes start by putting information into our minds that puts our focus in the wrong place.” Verse 7 states that when we do rejoice in the Lord with a gentile spirit, aren’t anxious, and pray, bring our requests to God, that He protect our minds.

D) (Verse 8) What advice do you see Paul giving that we can do to guard our minds?

DIGGING DEEPER

1. Looking back at your life, you may have found yourself fighting spiritual wars in your flesh instead of through the power of the Lord’s might. What are some ways going forward that you can fight the battles in His strength?

2. What does living out the phrase “taking every thought captive to the obedience of Christ” look like in your life?

3. What are some excellent things in your life that God desires you to focus on to help you guard your mind from Satan's schemes?