# DAVID THE VICTOR

2 Samuel 8

### 2 Corinthians 10:3-5

<sup>3</sup> For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. <sup>4</sup> The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds.

<sup>5</sup> We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ.

# Ephesians 6:10-12

<sup>10</sup> Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. <sup>11</sup> Put on the full armour of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes.

<sup>12</sup> 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.

### Discuss:

- What things are involved in a spiritual battle? In what ways is it more than just exorcisms?
- What personal experience have you had with spiritual battles?

### 2 Samuel 8:11-12

<sup>11</sup> King David *dedicated these articles to the LORD*, as he had done with the silver and gold from all the nations he had subdued: <sup>12</sup> Edom and Moab, the Ammonites and the Philistines, and Amalek. He also dedicated the plunder taken from Hadadezer son of Rehob, king of Zobah.

# 2 Samuel 8:6, 14

The Lord gave David victory wherever he went.

### 1 Corinthians: 15:57

<sup>57</sup> But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

### Discuss:

- How do we fight from a place of assured victory?
- O What does this look like when it often doesn't seem like we have victory in a situation?
- What does it mean that God fights for us?
  Should we bother fighting if God has already won?

# To Fight From Victory

#### 2 Chronicles 20:15

Do not be afraid or discouraged because of this vast army. For the battle is not yours, but God's.

#### Joshua 1:9

Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go.

# What Does Victory Look Like?

#### 2 Thessalonians 3:3

But the Lord is faithful, and he will strengthen you and protect you from the evil one.

#### Romans 5:3-5

<sup>3</sup> Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance...

# Should We Fight?

#### Luke 10:19

I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you.

# Should We Fight?

#### 1 Peter 5:8-9

<sup>8</sup> Be alert and of sober mind. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour. <sup>9</sup> Resist him, standing firm in the faith.

#### James 4:7

Submit to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you.

### 1 Samuel 17:45-17

<sup>45</sup> David said to the Philistine, "You come against me with sword and spear and javelin, but I come against you in the name of the Lord Almighty, the God of the armies of Israel, whom you have defied. 46 This day the Lord will deliver you into my hands, and I'll strike you down and cut off your head... 47 All those gathered here will know that it is not by sword or spear that the Lord saves; for the battle is the Lord's, and he will give all of you into our hands."

### 1 Samuel 30:8

<sup>8</sup>and David inquired of the LORD, "Shall I pursue this raiding party? Will I overtake them?"

"Pursue them," he answered. "You will certainly overtake them and succeed in the rescue."

### Discuss:

- What areas of your life are you not seeing victory in?
- O How can you be fighting more intentionally?
- O What would your battle plan look like?

Pray for your table as they go forward in their battles