

“Counter Attack”

A Personal or Small Group Experience

Many times when I think about doing battle with Satan on a regular basis my approach comes largely from a defensive mindset. That is a good thing especially since one of the best descriptions in scripture about waging this battle describes the armor we need in the battle from a defensive perspective. This armor does protect us but there is an offensive side to this battle as well. Jesus was speaking about His church being on the offensive when He gives a blessing to Peter and describes how the truth of Jesus as the Son of God would breakthrough the strongholds (...gates of hell) of the devil.

Read and discuss the following looking at them from a “offensive” perspective. Also see how in some of the verse sections the very act of worship of the true God is “offensive” in the battle with Satan.

Discuss ways these verses equip you to:

- See the realities of spiritual warfare,
- Stand up under the attacks of Satan
- Counterattack offensively against him and
- Experience worship of the true God as part of this battle!

Matthew 16:13-20 (specifically 18)

Luke 4:1-13

Ephesians 6:10-18



Arise, shine, for your light has come, and the glory of the LORD rises upon you.

Isaiah 60:1

“Connecting With God” Weekly Guide

This booklet is a resource to help you “Connect with God” this week. He deeply desires ongoing personal connection with you. You are that important to Him.

This Page has some scripture verses for you to meditate on each day this week. Notice the helpful hints section – these are great things to consider when personally engaging with God through His Word.

The Center Pages contain the notes and outline for the message given on Sunday. The message is also available as an audio download from www.pointofgracechurch.org

The Back Page has a study written specifically for a small group of people (or an individual) to drill down deeper into a particular aspect of the week’s theme. Small groups can review memorable points of the week’s message and then work through the study concluding with a time of prayer.

Scripture & Meditation Guide - January 24-29

Helpful Hints:

- 1) Find a quiet place along with 15-20 minutes!
- 2) Focus on God for a few moments asking His Spirit to speak to your heart!
- 3) Listen to Him by reading a section of scripture then rereading it several times, dwelling on “words and phrases” which grab your heart’s attention.
Ask God, “What do You want me to hear?” “Why this word at this time?”
“How are You inviting me to respond?”

- 4) Pray everything that is on your heart and mind as you are ready!

Worship Him, Bless Him, Thank Him, Ask Him, Trust Him

Monday: Luke 4:1-13

Tuesday: Ephesians 6:10-13

Wednesday: Ephesians 6:14-20

Thursday: John 8:42-47

Friday: James 4:4-10

Saturday: Psalm 1