## Small Group Study Guide, Week of November 17, 2024

## Ephesians 6:10-20; "Gear Up for Battle"

Ice Breaker: For yourself or your kids, what was one of your favorite dress-up costumes? Why?

Dig:

- In v10, Paul reminds us to "be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power." Turn back to 1:19-21, and reflect on the power Paul is talking about here.
- 2. What articles does Paul include in the "full armor of God" we are to "put on"? What is the purpose of each? Which would be considered defensive? Which would be considered offensive?
- 3. From vv18-20, how does prayer relate to God's armor?
- 4. What is at stake in the battle we are to prepare for?

## Apply:

- 5. As you review the list of articles of spiritual armor, which ones do you consider "battle-ready" in your own life? Which ones are missing/broken/flimsy? What can you do about that?
- 6. In the spiritual battle Paul is calling us to prepare for, where are you right now? (Front line? Rear guard? Non-combat support? Back home asleep?) Where do you sense God calling you? What steps will you take?

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