

# Common Ground Café

Sermon Discussion Guide

Sunday, July 19, 2020



## Threat Assessment and Tactical Response

Ephesians 6:10-18

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## Get to Know You

What is the most important safety/protection discovery or invention of the past 50 years? How has it impacted your life?

## Study the Book

Read Ephesians 6:10-18

### **The Threat Assessment**

What struggles do we face?

What struggles did you mention that are not “flesh and blood?” Do you typically think of your troubles as natural or supernatural?

What supernatural struggles do we face that we often do not think about?

In your own words, how would you describe the struggles mentioned in verse 12?

Has anyone read *The Screwtape Letters* by C.S. Lewis? What was your impression?

## The Tactical Response

God's strength, armor, and help keep us from being paralyzed in fear when hearing the warning of our spiritual enemy.

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How do we respond to the threat? It is with the Lord's mighty power that is available, but we must be strong in it. It is the armor of God that is available, but we must put it on, piece by piece. It is the Spirit who prompts us to pray, but we must respond and pray in the Spirit.

*Pastor Tom*

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What Scriptural evidence do we find for God's strength?  
How have you experienced His strength in your life?

What piece of armor do you want to learn the most about? Why?

Why is it important to pray for God's help?

What kinds of prayers should we be praying according to verse 18?

## **Group Application and Discussion**

What are some ways that we can personally study the armor of God beyond our Sunday morning worship and Life Group experiences?

How can we pray for spiritual struggles with our group this week?

## **Personal Reflection and Application**

Commit to personal study of the armor of God the next several weeks. Make a commitment to learn more about a specific aspect of the armor, memorize Ephesians 6:10-18, and/or share about what you are learning with a friend.