

Small Group Study Guide- Ephesians 6
Armor of God Part Six

“Salvation is God's way of making us real people.” – Augustine

Begin this session by reading Ephesians 6:10-17

1) Spiritual Warfare: Christian is a verb. (Eph. 6:17)

- Why do we tend to think of Christian as a noun? Clearly, it's a title, but what does it mean to be a Christian?
- The imperative exhortation “and take” declares what?
- Matthew 28:19-20. What does this teach us about salvation? What does it mean to make disciples? What is the connection between salvation and discipleship?
- Salvation is a gift we experience and yet one we are called to share. What does this look like in our lives? In the church? (Jude 1:3)

2) Spiritual Warfare: Salvation is birth and belonging. (Eph. 6:17)

- Hebrews 12:2. What does it mean to be *transformed* and not *conformed*? If we look at the current state of America, how good of a job are we doing as Christians to be transformed instead of conformed? How do we break the mold of the world?
- What does it mean to be born again? (John 3:3) What does assurance of salvation mean to you? Discuss.
- Read Titus 3:4-7. In your own words and as a group, define regeneration, justification and adoption. Discuss how they confirm our rebirth.
- Read 1 John 5:13. As a group, define and discuss eternal security?
- Read Romans 6:22-23. As a group, define and discuss sanctification.
- Read Philippians 1:6. As a group, define and discuss perseverance.
- How does sanctification and perseverance prove we belong to God?