

God is with you in your \_\_\_\_ fight \_\_\_\_.

*“Be kind, for everyone you meet is fighting a hard battle.” — Philo*

I am **exhausted** from crying for help; my throat is parched. My eyes are swollen with weeping, waiting for my God to help me.  
*Psalms 69:3*

Your life is \_\_\_\_ opposed \_\_\_\_.

Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the **devil** prowls around like a roaring **lion**, seeking someone to **devour**. *1 Peter 5:8*

*“Enemy-occupied territory—that is what this world is. Christianity is the story of how the rightful king has landed, you might say landed in disguise, and is calling us to take part in a great campaign of sabotage.” — C.S. Lewis*

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. *Ephesians 6:12*

...the one who is in you is **greater** than the one who is in the world. *1 John 4:4*

The Lord is **with** you and the Lord will **fight** for you.

“Do not be fainthearted. Do not be afraid, or panic, or tremble before them, for the Lord your God is the one who goes **with** you, to **fight** for you against your enemies, to save you.”  
*Deuteronomy 20:2-4*

“Let’s get out of here—away from these Israelites!” the Egyptians shouted. “The Lord is **fighting** for them against Egypt!”  
*Exodus 14:25*

“The Lord is a **warrior**; the Lord is his name.” *Exodus 15:3*

1. You must know your \_\_\_\_ cause \_\_\_\_.

Then as I looked over the situation, I called together the nobles and the rest of the people and said to them, “Don’t be afraid of the enemy! Remember the Lord, who is great and glorious, and **fight** for your brothers, your sons, your daughters, your wives, and your homes!” *Nehemiah 4:14*

2. Do \_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_ part \_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_ trust \_\_\_\_ God \_\_\_\_ to do his.

*Joshua 6:3-5*

## One Year New Testament Devotionals

Small group discussion questions related to the weekend message will resume in January during our next 10-week group semester. Until then, use these One Year New Testament questions to discuss with your small group or answer individually.

### Sunday, December 16: Read Revelation 7

*He Is Everything We Need*

The worshippers “stand in front of God’s throne and serve him day and night in His temple.” Why would they spend all their time this way? Because Jesus Christ alone gives them everything they could ever need. Maybe there is something you’re currently chasing that you believe will provide satisfaction, power, happiness, or worth. Maybe, it even will for a moment. But only Jesus provides a satisfaction that will never wain. What are you chasing that has taken priority over chasing Jesus?

### Monday, December 17: Read Revelation 8

*Attention Span*

There is always something demanding our attention. The Lord, however, does not demand our attention, but He desires it more than anyone else ever will. Unfortunately, in the midst of busyness and chaos, the Lord is often the last to get our attention. God uses numerous ways to get our attention, and our role is to embrace Him in these moments, be still long enough to reflect on His love for us, and follow Him step by step wherever He leads. How is God trying to get your attention?

### Tuesday, December 18: Read Revelation 9

*What Are Your Patterns Telling You?*

Most of the time, sin isn’t a bad decision in the moment. It’s a pattern of behavior we aren’t addressing. The more we excuse this behavior, the more we become numb to it. Those in today’s reading created a pattern of sin, avoiding righteousness, and it led to destruction. The good news is that God has a plan to heal us from our sin. His name is Jesus. What about your life doesn’t honor Jesus? What can you do to change it?

### Wednesday, December 19: Read Revelation 10

*How Much Do You Need To Know?*

The content of the scroll given to John is not revealed, but what we do learn is important. It’s not the time for Jesus’ return, but He would be coming soon. Throughout history, people have wondered about the end of the world, and God reveals some of that in Revelation. We don’t have all the details, but God tells us what we need to know to live for Him now. How do you balance trusting God without needing to know everything?

### Thursday, December 20: Read Revelation 11

*When Hope Seems Lost*

When we feel our lives are spinning out of control, it can be difficult to trust God. Instead of leaning toward God, we turn away. In Revelation 11, God sent two witnesses committed to telling the world about Jesus, but they end up beaten and left for dead. When hope seemed lost, “they stood upon their feet!” As believers in Christ, we may not fully understand the reason why we go through what we do, but we can be sure that we will always overcome. How can trusting God in your circumstance assure you the peace God has promised?

### Friday, December 21: Read Revelation 12

*When Satan Attacks*

The decisions we make can change the trajectory of not only the day but the rest of our life. Satan attacks us constantly, but the moment we choose to follow Jesus, we can be confident that He gives us the power to overcome. The Bible shares that Satan wages war against us, but it also tells us how to defeat him. By following Jesus, no attack from Satan is ever too strong to knock us off our feet. In what areas of your life are you tempted by Satan, and when tempted, how can you avoid giving into him?

### Saturday, December 22: Read Revelation 13

*The Authority on Joy*

The world wants us to believe that joy and satisfaction must be pursued at all costs. If we believe this, we will be led astray. As Christ-followers, we don’t have to chase joy and satisfaction through material things. We receive it freely from our Savior by understanding how blessed we already are. Jesus is the ultimate authority on joy and satisfaction. Other than Jesus, what are you pursuing to find joy, and how can you avoid being led astray?