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SERMON
NOTES



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14 Then the Lord said to Moses, “Write this as a memorial in a book and recite it in the ears of Joshua, that I will utterly blot out the memory of Amalek from under heaven.” **15** And Moses built an altar and called the name of it, The Lord Is My Banner, **16** saying, “A hand upon the throne of the Lord! The Lord will have war with Amalek from generation to generation.”

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Acknowledge the Enemy

- “Then Amalek came and fought with Israel at Rephidim” (v. 8).
- Our Enemy is real
 - “For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places” (Ephesians 6:12).
 - “8 Be sober-minded; be watchful. Your adversary the devil prowls around like a roaring lion, seeking someone to devour. 9 Resist him, firm in your faith, knowing that the same kinds of suffering are being experienced by your brotherhood throughout the world.” (1 Peter 5:8–9).

Trust the Lord

- “9 So Moses said to Joshua, “Choose for us men, and go out and fight with Amalek. Tomorrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the staff of God in my hand.” 10 So Joshua did as Moses told him, and fought with Amalek, while Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. 11 Whenever Moses held up his hand, Israel prevailed, and whenever he lowered his hand, Amalek prevailed” (vv. 9–11).
- Our Lord is Real
 - Trust is built in the past, confirmed in the present, anticipated in the future.
 - “Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might” (Ephesians 6:10).
 - “10 And after you have suffered a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, confirm, strengthen, and establish you. 11 To him be the dominion forever and ever. Amen” (1 Peter 5:10–11).

Strengthen One Another

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- Our Community is real
 - “Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ” (Galatians 6:2).
 - vGroups – small group of 10–20 who meet regularly throughout the city for transformation, connection, and multiplication (SHOW GRAPHIC)
 - Formation Group – gender-specific groups of 3–5 who meet regularly for the purpose of focused discipleship and spiritual growth.
 - The Christian life is not an individual exercise.

Remember the Lord's Victories

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- His victories are real
 - “50 I tell you this, brothers: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable. 51 Behold! I tell you a mystery. We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed, 52 in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we shall be changed. 53 For this perishable body must put on the imperishable, and this mortal body must put on immortality. 54 When the perishable puts on the imperishable, and the mortal puts on immortality, then shall come to pass the saying that is written: ‘Death is swallowed up in victory’ 55 ‘O death, where is your victory? O death, where is your sting?’ 56 The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. 57 But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ” (1 Corinthians 15:50–57).
 - Remember the Lord's victory now to prepare for his victory then.

The Lord fights for his people when the Enemy attacks us.