

God Fights For You

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Glory Days Session: 6

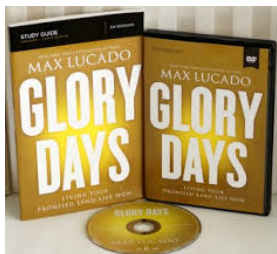
I am never alone. I am not a helpless victim. I might be weak in my own strength, but the God who loves me is strong beyond comprehension. When I face challenges, enemies, and attacks in this world, I can confidently know that God is my defender and he is ready to fight on my behalf. When I believe this, peace floods my heart and I walk through life with bold confidence



NOT ONLY DOES GOD DESIRE THAT YOU LIVE THE PROMISED LAND LIFE, BUT HE FIGHTS FOR YOU SO YOU CAN.

When have you experienced God's protective presence watching over you?

WATCH THE DVD AND CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING.....



- The life stories of needing somebody to make us feel secure
- Joshua's **big** enemies our 'enemies'
- God's intervention for Joshua and Israel... he also fights for us
- Joshua's testimony of God in his final message to the people
- God's promises to us and our part in leaving the wilderness

and saying Yes to God's Promised Land.

- **Jesus** fought for us, won the ultimate victory, and deposited his spirit within us so we would know that he is fighting for us- and we are worth fighting for.

So we say with confidence, "THE LORD IS MY HELPER; I WILL NOT BE AFRAID. WHAT CAN MERE MORTALS DO TO ME?" (Hebrews 13:6)

DISCUSSION AND BIBLE STUDY

Take time to process and discuss your responses to the video.

1. What makes you and others feel defenceless, vulnerable and fearful?
2. What do we try to do to create a sense of security? How effective are these solutions?

3. There are many insecurities that make us feel unsafe, yet God protects us and fights for us. Why is this important as we live out our faith and share the good news of Jesus with others?



4. **Read Joshua 1:5-9.** What promises did God give to Joshua? How would these assurances have made Joshua live with greater boldness and confidence?

5. The promises of God are rooted in relationship. When we live in a way that honours God, his promises are unleashed into situations to bless and draw people to him. What specific direction and guidance did God give Joshua in **Joshua 1:7-8**?

6. How does the study of, meditation of, and obedient living according to the Bible and God's commands help us experience victory?
7. **Read Hebrews 13:5-6.** The word for "helper" in this passage comes from Greek root words meaning "a shout" and "to run". The image is that God **runs to our help when we cry out to him**. How does God do this and what does he say to us in these situations?

THE ONE WHO MADE YOU IS WITH YOU. THE ALMIGHTY WILL NEVER LEAVE OR FORSAKE YOU.

8. **Read Joshua 1:3&11&13; 3:5; 4:23; 23:3&9-10.** What do you see God doing in these passages? What does he promise to do for his people? It's not always easy to transfer principles from Bible stories into our situations- little children are often better at this than us! Jesus talks about the importance of childlike faith. How can biblical accounts give hope, assurance, and bold confidence for life's battles?



9. How can we as a group pray and support each other as we do our part (in tandem with God) to walk in victory?



Thank God that he is with you even in 'valleys of shadow'
Praise him that he never leaves you or forsakes you
Pray for those who need God to fight for them
Ask for courage to share your stories and help to walk in the wisdom of the Holy Spirit.