

# WELCOME TO PURPOSE CHURCH!

Are you new to Purpose Church?

We are so glad you are here! We want to meet you, answer any questions you might have, and help you get connected. Come to the Connect Center located in the Lobby after the service to meet our friendly team and pick up a free gift!

#### **NEXT STEPS AT PURPOSE**

We believe every person has a *next step* to take. We are here to help you discover and take yours.

Have you decided to follow Jesus?
Do you want to get baptized?
Do you need hope, healing and support?
Are you looking for meaningful community?

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# EVERYONE EVERYWHERE FOLLOWING JESUS

## PRAYER

We would love to pray with you! Please stop by the prayer room after the service or submit a prayer request online. purposechurch.com/prayer

#### **GIVING**

We believe that generous people transform the world! Offering boxes are available in the lobby on Sundays or you can give online. purposechurch.com/give

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# YOU HAVE AN ENEMY: SIN, THE WORLD, AND SATAN

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We are at war. It's not a fair fight. In Christ, we can win.

John 10:10

## **ENEMY #1: SIN**

Ephesians 2:1-2

**SIN IS YOUR ENEMY** because it destroys your relationship with God, your relationship with others, and your own life in the process.

## **ENEMY #2: THE WORLD**

Ephesians 2:1-2

**THE WORLD IS YOUR ENEMY** when it values sin above God's good design and pulls a whole culture into darker and more destructive ways of living that soon become celebrated.

#### **ENEMY #3: SATAN**

Ephesians 2:1-2

#1 - Who is Satan? Luke 10:18

#2 - What does Satan do? Ephesians 2:2

#3 - Is Satan a lone-ranger? 2 Peter 2:4

**SATAN IS YOUR ENEMY** because he is engineering your destruction by distracting you, discouraging you, and deceiving you so you won't follow Christ.

#### THE BAD NEWS AND THE GOOD NEWS

Ephesians 2:4-5

**Here's the bad news:** Satan and his demons, sin, and the world are working against you to pull you away from following Jesus, harm you by deceiving you, and they are good at what they do.

**Here's the good news:** Jesus is better at what He does than Satan is at what he does. Jesus is more powerful. Jesus can give you freedom, deliverance, and everything you need to face your enemies in His power and have victory over them in His strength.

#### **HOW CAN I BEGIN FOLLOWING JESUS?**

Jesus, I **CONFESS** that my sin is a problem I can't fix.

I **BELIEVE** that you died on the cross to forgive me.

I **TRUST** that you rose from the dead proving you are God.

I **RECEIVE** you as my Lord and Savior.

Today and every day, I **CHOOSE** to follow you!

#### **YOUR NEXT 5 STEPS**

#1 - Let us **KNOW**.

#2 - **READ** your Bible.

#3 - PRAY daily.

#4 - JOIN a Life Group.

#5 - SHARE Jesus with someone.

# REFLECT | DISCUSS | PRACTICE

- **1. REFLECT:** How did God specifically speak to you through the Bible passages and sermon?
- **2. DISCUSS:** Do you believe sin, the world, and Satan and his demons are your enemies? Why or why not and if so, how have you experienced them leading you astray?
- **3. DISCUSS:** Read Ephesians 2:1-5. What does Paul teach us about the cost and consequences of being influenced and led by our sin, the world, and Satan?
- **4. DISCUSS:** Read Ephesians 4-5. Highlight all the sins Paul lists and share which ones you are tempted to give into or have been tempted by in the past.
- **5. DISCUSS:** As we begin this spiritual warfare series, what questions or concerns do you have and how are you feeling about engaging in this conversation for the next several weeks?
- **6. PRACTICE:** Make a list on your phone or in your journal every time this week you find yourself being influenced to do something by sin, the world, or Satan and his demons. Take an inventory at the end of the week and see what spiritual attacks are most frequent for you.

For more life group, reflection, and discussion content, and to join or start a group, visit: **purposechurch.com/groups** 

