

“Twilight: Eclipse”
July 10/11

For Small Groups Meeting the Week of July 11th

BIG IDEA: THERE IS AN UNSEEN SPIRITUAL BATTLE HAPPENING AROUND US AT ALL TIMES

1. What was one of your favorite Halloween costumes and why?

GROW in Christ: (45 minutes)

As we continue the series, “At the Movies”, let’s consider these verses from the Bible.

Read aloud the following passages from the Bible:

“Put on all of God’s armor so that you will be able to stand firm against all strategies of the devil. (12) For we are not fighting against flesh-and-blood enemies, but against evil rulers and authorities of the unseen world, against mighty powers in this dark world, and against evil spirits in the heavenly places.”

Ephesians 6:11-12

“Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.”

1 Peter 5:8

“The thief’s purpose is to steal and kill and destroy. My purpose is to give them a rich and satisfying life.”

John 10:10

“When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies.”

John 8:44

“The god of this age has blinded the minds of unbelievers, so that they cannot see the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.”

2 Corinthians 4:4

“...Even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light.”

2 Corinthians 11:14 (NLT)

“...the ONE who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.”

1 John 4:4

“You are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings. (32) And you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”

John 8:31-32

Discussion Questions

1. In the verses we read the Devil is described as being a **lion**, a **thief**, and a **liar**. What lessons can we learn from those descriptions?
2. Greg pointed out that the scriptures teach that Satan **deceives** and **devours**. How do you think Satan is deceiving people today?
3. Why is isolation a dangerous tool of Satan's and how can you refuse to be isolated? Think through some practical ways to stay connected to Christ and the Church.
4. What protection do you think connection provides; why is it so important?
5. Satan would love for you to believe that you have plenty of time. What next step do you need to take in faith?

SERVE others: (10 minutes)

Review the main points of this week's Bible message.

At The Movies Week 2: Twilight: Eclipse

Satan: Who he is...

- He is a created angel who was cast out of heaven (Isaiah 14, Ezekiel 28)**
- He is a lion on the prowl.**
- He is a thief.**
- He is a liar**

Satan: What he does...

- He deceives**
- He devours**

--he will find you tired, hungry and alone

Our Victory...

- Affirm your relationship with Christ**
- Strengthen your relationship daily**
- Refuse to be isolated from the body**

1. Take a practical step this week and pair up with an accountability partner in your group (guys with guys, girls with girls) contact each other this week. As an added step of connection to Christ, share a simple short S.O.A.P. Bible study with each other. You can e-mail it. Don't worry about it being perfect only one person is going to see it.

SHARE Christ: (10 minutes)

Memory Verse:

You are from God, little children, and have overcome them; because greater is He who is in you than he who is in the world.
1 John 4:4 (NASB)

WORSHIP

Ask the group if anyone has someone they are witnessing to that seems close to making a decision for Christ. As a group pray together for your group member(s) to have an opportunity to lead that person to Christ this week.

How can we help you in prayer this week?
