Battlegrounds

Small Group Questions: When The Battle Chooses You

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Read

2 Chronicles 20:1-3, 9-12, 13-17, 21-24, 25-26; Exodus 23:22

Reflect

Whether it's a diagnosis, a financial setback, a breakdown in a relationship, or sudden grief, we've all faced battles we didn't choose.

Pastor Josh Surratt uses the story of King Jehoshaphat, to provide four ways we can handle those situations when we don't know what to do.

1. Pray Honest Prayers

- a. Read 2 Chronicles 20:9. What benefits do you see in starting a prayer this way?
- b. The King expressed confusion that the land God gave them as an inheritance was about to be attacked. How have you been attacked in an area you thought was safely within God's protection?
- c. The King's prayer ends with this simple statement: "We do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you." How easy (or hard) is it for you to pray this?

2. Wait on a word from God

- a. When a battle is on your doorstep, are you more likely to take action before listening for a word from God?
- b. How might we approach a battle differently if we think of it as God's battle rather than our own?

3. Worship in the warfare

- a. How can praise and worship be a valuable weapon in the midst of our battles?
- b. In what ways has praise and worship changed your perspective while fighting a battle?

4. Rename Your Battleground To A Place Of Blessing

- a. Looking back, where have you been able to rename one of your battlegrounds as a place of blessing?
- b. If you are currently fighting on a battleground, would it help to rename it in advance as a place of blessing?
- c. The King gained resources from the battlefield that would prepare him to fight future battles. What internal or spiritual resources have you gained from your battles?

Respond: Where is God leading you? How can your small group support you?