

August 31, 2025 Discussion Guide
Scripture reading: Ezekiel 38-39

CHECK UP:

*Memory Work: I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. – John 10:11

*How have you lived humble before God the last couple of weeks?

OPEN:

- What was a highlight in your week this past week? What was a particular challenge you had?
- Did you B.L.E.S.S. someone this past week? (*Begin in prayer, Listen, Eat, Serve, Share*)
- What stood out from this past week's reading?
 - o What do you have questions about?

READ and ASK: Ezekiel 38, Ephesians 6:10-13, Revelation 20:7-10

- Many (Devin included) believe that Ezekiel 38 does not speak of a literal war but contains a symbolic prophecy declaring that God will one day deal with all of the evil once and for all. Therefore, Gog represents the culmination of the spiritual forces opposed to God's people.
 - o What evidence do you see of that? (note the symbolic numbers such as seven, there are seven nations fighting, the chronology of the events of Gog/Magog don't logically work)
 - o How is that consistent with Ephesians 6 and Revelation 20?
- What kinds of opposition do God's people face today that reflect that our battles are not against flesh and blood but against the evil forces within this world?
- What do these texts teach us about how God will deal with evil in the world?
- What comfort does Ezekiel 38 offer to believers living in a hostile or spiritually dark world?

APPLY:

- How does this vision of God's final victory encourage you to persevere in faith?
 - o How do we persevere in our faith in the reality of opposition?

- How does knowing we are victorious in Christ impact the way we live every day?
 - o NEXT STEPS: How do you need to live as a victor rather than a victim in this coming week?

Memory Work:

And so I will show my greatness and my holiness, and I will make myself known in the sight of many nations. Then they will know that I am the LORD.' - Ezekiel 38:23

Next Week's Reading:

Ezekiel 40-46