

03 COMBAT



Read Chapter 1 of *The Prayers of Many*



Watch the [third video](#) before going through the handout in your small group

Key Verses

2 Chronicles 20:15

Ephesians 6:11-13

DISCUSS

- ▶ As individuals and as a church family, how do you fight the battles of life? Where in your battle tactics does corporate prayer feature?
- ▶ Would you say that corporate prayer is on your frontline? If yes, how? If not, how could that change?
- ▶ Personal individual prayer is vital, but what advantages do you see in praying with others?
- ▶ “If we fight we win, if we don’t we will face *avoidable* losses! This is the reality of war.” How does that statement motivate you to pray?
- ▶ In your church, how is prayer treated as a powerful force? Are people aware that their prayers play a key role in the outcome of spiritual battles? If not, how can we introduce these realities?

REVIEW

- Corporate prayer is our frontline heavy weaponry for fighting spiritual battles.
- Prayer will only be treated as the powerful force that it is when people understand its impact in the heavenly realms.
- The nature of war is that losses occur if we don’t fight. When we do fight, victory is certain because of the power and authority of Christ.

GET PRAYING

1. **Ask** God to help you use corporate prayer as the frontline weaponry in the life of your church. **Listen** to what God might be prompting you to do.
2. **Share** some battles you are facing in your lives or in the life of your church. **Pray** for each other, remembering the Christ’s powerful authority and certain victory.

PRAYER TIP

A great way to pray about anything is *simultaneously*: **praying altogether, out loud and at the same time**, pausing after each item to introduce the next.



WATCH TIP

EXTRA

A key enemy tactic is to convince us we are not at war. What differences are there between a community at war and one at peace?

Are you and your church community living in the reality of the spiritual war that Christ is fighting on our behalf? Watch Libby’s Story to hear her experience of being in a small but powerful prayer group.



LIBBY’S
STORY