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Spiritual Warfare

Mark 3:20-30

The unseen spiritual world exists. Christ followers really must acknowledge that. But we should be _____ not to attribute things to God that are not God; and we should be equally _____ not to call things demonic that are not demonic.

Discussion 1. Can you think of any examples of calling something demonic that is not demonic (or calling something God that is not God)? Discuss why this can be a dangerous or damaging thing.

Each time my personal or political biases cause me to misrepresent spiritual truths, I do _____ to my testimony and to someone else's faith. How much of that kind of damage do you think we can afford?

Discussion 2. How can you make sure you are aware of your own personal or political biases? What kinds of things can you do to help keep your personal or political biases from causing you to misrepresent spiritual truths?

For Christ followers, our enemy is not flesh and blood; our enemy is spiritual. And defeating that enemy is among the central purposes for Jesus' coming. Our _____ and our _____ are in that reality.

Discussion 3. Are there practical ways Jesus' defeating the enemy brings you peace of mind? Are there ways it gives you hope in this otherwise discouraging world?

For the Christ follower, the spiritual warfare to which we are called begins (and continues daily) with our own heart. It is a journey toward _____ more and more of Jesus and _____ more and more to Him.

Discussion 4. What disciplines in your life help keep you wanting more and more of Jesus?

Discussion 5. How does this lesson cause you to pray? How does it prepare your heart for worship?