

DISCUSSION GUIDE

PASTOR BLACKBURN - "STAND UP!"

AS THE DISCUSSION LEADER, THERE ARE A FEW THINGS TO KEEP IN MIND:

- Pray for your group discussion time!
- Review your notes from the Sunday message and familiarize yourself with the discussion questions before your group meeting.
- Choose a few questions from the guide that will generate the most discussion in your group.

GETTING TO KNOW ME (ICEBREAKER):

- Who's your favorite college or NFL football team?
- Where's your favorite place to eat in Lakeland?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- Have someone read Revelation 2:8-11.
- Do you believe God really understands and knows your current situation?
 - o Pastor described the church in Smyrna as exhausted, in despair, under fire, and forced into poverty. How did God respond to the church in Smyrna?
- If God has a leash on Satan, how long is the leash? Have someone read Revelation 2:10.
 - o When all you see is trouble and pain, God declares that there is hope.
 - How do you find hope in desperate situations? Have someone read Psalm 34:7, Psalm 91:4, & Exodus 14:14.
- What good is faith if it isn't tested? Explain. How does God build spiritual character?
- Where are you asking and trusting God to work in your life?
- What is the most significant statement that you remember from Sunday's message?

PRAY FOR OUR MISSIONARIES:

Aaron and Winnie Horvat (Cameron) – **Croatia** Daniel and Krystal Hovey (Saige and Cedar) – **Northern Asia**

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Wednesday, October 4 – Remember all Victory Life classes, support groups, Royal Rangers, Girls Ministries, & VSC! (6:30 PM)

Sunday, October 8 – Join us for GrowTrack each Sunday morning, in the Media Center (FLC), at 10:45. You will learn about the Vision and Mission of Victory Church.

Saturday, October 14 – Men's Breakfast (\$10) in the FLC, at 7:30 AM.

Monday, October 30 – Fall Festival