

Battle Tested

Discussion Questions

Exodus 17:8-16

1. **Amalek attacked Israel at Rephidim immediately after a major victory, when the people were physically and emotionally exhausted.** Have you ever experienced opposition, discouragement, or temptation right after a spiritual high or a season of victory? How did you respond?
2. **While Joshua fought in the valley, Moses stood on the hill with the staff of God, interceding in prayer.** What does this picture teach us about the connection between prayer and the battles we face every day? Who is faithfully praying for you? Who has God called you to pray for?
3. **When Moses' hands grew weary, Aaron and Hur stood beside him and held them up until the battle was won.** Who are the "Aaron and Hur" in your life, the people who help strengthen your faith when you're weary? Is there someone God is calling you to support in that same way right now?
4. **Moses built an altar and named it, "The Lord Is My Banner."** A banner identifies who you belong to, directs where you're going, unites you with others, and keeps your focus on the One you're following. Which of those four truths do you need to embrace most in this season of your life? Why?
5. **"What God declares over you is always greater than what comes against you."** What battle are you facing today where you need to hold on to that truth? What would it look like to live as though you truly believed it?
6. **The big takeaway is: "When Christ reigns over you, you won't fear what's before you."** What fear, worry, or uncertainty has had the strongest grip on your heart lately? What would change if you fully surrendered that area to Christ's rule?