LIFEGROUPS DISCUSSION

Use these questions in your Life Group gatherings or for further discussion as a family.

THEREFORE... FLEE? | OCTOBER 16, 2022

SERMON RECAP | Matthew 24:15-22

When the church comes under attack, what is our role? According to Matthew 24, we are messengers not warriors. Our role until Christ returns is to spread the gospel.

THE LEAD IN

• In day-to-day situations when something upsets or scares you, is your instinct fight or flight?

GETTING INTO THE TEXT

- In Matthew 26:47-53, we see Jesus' response to physical violence. How can his rebuke of Peter give us confidence in being messengers rather than warriors?
- Read Philippians 3:20-21. What does it mean for us to be citizens of heaven and what are the promises we are given as citizens?

GOING DEEPER

- How does the idea of being a messenger, not a warrior, sit with you? Is your first response to attacks on your faith or the church to fight or to respond with gospel truth?
- What does it look like practically for you to be a citizen of heaven first before you are a citizen of an earthly nation? How does your heavenly citizenship influence your American (or other) citizenship?

PRAYER

• Pray for each other that you would take every opportunity possible to be a messenger of the gospel to those in your Oikos and others who God's along your path.