



## Grace Place Ministry Sheet

This ministry sheet is a step by step guide for Grace Place Groups, Gatherings, and Churches. It can be used in a small group setting, adapted for larger groups, or used as a sermon outline for pastors and teachers.

### FELLOWSHIP & PRAISE REPORTS:

Fellowship is an important part of Grace Place! Spend time fellowshiping and getting better acquainted with those attending. If it is just your family, spend this time listening to each other! Be sure to introduce any guest or first time attendees. Ask those attending to share a Praise Report of something good God has done during the week!

### WORSHIP

Worship is at the heart of all Grace Place events. Worshipping together can be a wonderful experience for everyone! Use those in the Group, or Gathering, that are musically inclined to lead, or use a Grace Place Worship CD and simply sing along! Encourage all to participate in worship, either by singing, or simply enjoying a time of worship.

# BIRTLIFE BIBLE STUDY

Symbols to help you with your Birthlife Bible Study:



- EARTHLIFE

Truths for everyday living, while here on earth.



- BIRTHRIGHT

Truths that never change about...

1. The work of God & Christ in securing the Birthright
2. The Birthright given to every Child of God



- BIRTLIFE

As you walk in your EARTHLIFE, and apply your BIRTHRIGHT, you will experience BIRTLIFE living!

## ENGAGING THE ENEMY!

By Valleta Lanier

**Purpose:** To know that we are in a real battle with a real enemy, but God has equipped us to win the battles.

**Scripture Verses:** Joshua 5:13 - 15

**Key Verse:** *Now it came about when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, a man was standing opposite him with his sword drawn in his hand, and Joshua went to him and said to him, "Are you for us or for our adversaries?"*

**Overview:** Battles, for the Child of God, whether in the physical or spiritual realm, are inevitable. God has a plan that will bring victory. We can see that plan in the life of Joshua. Even though he lived under a different covenant than we do today, he still experienced God's power in the battles and victories he fought. Let's see what we can learn from the warrior, Joshua.

**Know the Enemy** – Joshua 5:13 *Now it came about when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted up his eyes and looked, and behold, a man was standing opposite him with his sword drawn in his hand, and Joshua went to him and said to him, "Are you for us or for our adversaries?"*

In order to know the enemy, Joshua had to do three things: 1) He looked; 2) He went; 3) He confronted. Engaging the enemy requires boldness. Joshua wasn't afraid. He point blank asked, "Are you for us or for our adversaries?"


- In today's world, how can we learn more about our "enemies"?
- Why is it important to identify the enemy? Name some spiritual enemies. Name some physical enemies.

**Know the Plan** - Joshua 5:14a *And he said, "No, rather I indeed come now as captain of the host of the Lord."*

It is important to have a plan before you engage the enemy! Joshua has just been let in on God's battle plan. He will be fighting with the Lord's host (army) and His captain in command!! That means God's army would be fighting beside Joshua.

- Read Joshua 8:7; 10:14; and 10:42. Do you believe God's army is fighting with His children today?
- How does God's plan differ from man's plan?

**Know Your Power** – Joshua 5:14b-15 *And Joshua fell on his face to the earth, and bowed down, and said to him, "What has my lord to say to his servant?" And the captain of the Lord's host said to Joshua, "Remove your sandals from your feet, for the place where you are standing is holy." And Joshua did so.*

The captain revealed to Joshua that God's power was even in the ground where he was standing. It was that power that would bring victories to Joshua. It is a power that cannot be seen.  Today, God has given to each of His children power to fight the enemy.

- Name some of the weapons He has given us to fight with?

**Know the Victory** – Joshua 11:15 *Just as the Lord had commanded Moses his servant, so Moses commanded Joshua, and so Joshua did; he left nothing undone of all that the Lord had commanded Moses.*

To know victory, you must go through the battle. Joshua went through many, many battles. The Word says that Moses commanded Joshua, and Joshua left nothing undone! The sweetest victory comes when you determine to fight all of the battles to the end!!

- Share a battle you are fighting now. Agree with each other to finish the battle, and know the victory!



**Birthlife Conclusion:** Engaging the enemy of God means that you need to know the enemy, know the plan, know your power, then see it through so you can know the victory!

## **PRAYER AND/OR MINISTRY TIME**

Listen to the leading of the Holy Spirit and follow as He directs.

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