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Last Week

Were you able to identify areas in your life that required you to stop pretending and start committing to?

Opener

Have you known someone who appeared to be weak or feeble and yet accomplished things that required great strength?

Questions

The opening of the letter says, "You have little strength, yet you obeyed my word and did not deny me." What do you think that means when it comes to our faith today?

If you considered that God has opened a door that no one can close, <u>for you</u>, what would change in your walk with Christ? Or how about living your faith in Victory? What does that mean to you?

Is it easier to pray for others knowing they aren't the enemy? (Eph. 6:12) What is the benefit of a life of prayer vs using prayer as a reaction to when things happen to us?

Do you think the warning from many of these first letters about being resilient in our faith still holds true to us today? Why do you think that is?

Apply SOAP (Scripture, Observation, Application, Prayer) to:

1 John 5:4,5 (NLT)

For every child of God defeats this evil world, and we achieve this victory through our faith. And who can win this battle against the world? Only those who believe that Jesus is the Son of God.

Read the verses out loud together,

- Share your observations,
- Discuss Application
- Close in Prayer

Next Steps:

Pray that God will show you the open doors in your life so that you may walk through them victoriously.