

## Small group optional guide

Freedom encounter: *the Battle for our minds*

### IN: FELLOWSHIP

(the freedom in Christ truths are only true if someone is a Christian, if someone in your group hasn't given their life to Jesus yet, they can still speak them over someone else)

- 1) Break into pairs, choose 1 of the freedom in Christ lists of truths (accepted, secure or significant)
- 2) Take it in turns to read them out loud, once you have read the list out loud, ask your partner if there was one truth you read that they think you struggled with
- 3) If you feel comfortable, spend a couple of minutes looking at why you may struggle to believe that truth
- 4) Your partner now prays that truth into you, you can say it again and then use that key truth over the next 7 days (40 days will medically renew your mind)

### Some key words from Sunday:

Dan Baptist - word of knowledge abdomen area, haven't told anyone, catches you by surprise

Rob Baker - sheep without a shepherd, Jesus had great compassion on them Mark 6:34

Zoe Baker - you are not forgotten, he sees you, he is for you, if you're confused know that there is a place for you

### HIGHLIGHT:

Sign up to the daily "*Lent Devotional - The Riches of His Grace*", starts this Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb.

Go to <https://www.jcceg.co.uk/calendar/> and select the featured event to sign up.

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### UP

Who is Satan? (Ezekiel 28 v14-19)

### **Safety and security in Christ:**

1 John 5:18 The one who was born of God keeps them safe, and the evil one cannot harm them

James 4:7 Submit yourselves then to God. Resist the Devil and he will flee from you

### **The Schemes of Satan:**

Thoughts / Temptation / Accusation / Deception

**Blocks to Freedom:** Strongholds and demons

**Steps to Freedom:** Repentance, speaking truth (eg the lists from freedom in Christ), the armour of God (Ephesians 6:10-18)

Discussion questions:

- 1) Which truth about our position in Christ gives you the most peace when looking at Satan/this subject
- 2) Which of the enemy's schemes do you think you are most susceptible to at the moment
- 3) What truths will help combat this? (maybe from the 3 lists)

### WORSHIP

Who you say I am – Hillsong worship

Raise a hallelujah– Bethel Music

### OUT: PRAYER

- 1) Healing Rooms: The Elders will be hosting another Healing Rooms session on Monday 6th March, here in the prayer room 8pm – 9:30pm
- 2) The freedom in Christ day at JCC (date to be confirmed)

**I RENOUNCE THE LIE THAT I AM REJECTED, UNLOVED, OR SHAMEFUL. IN CHRIST I AM ACCEPTED. GOD SAYS:**

- I am God's child (see John 1:12)
- I am Christ's friend (see John 15:15)
- I have been justified (see Romans 5:1)
- I am united with the Lord, and I am one spirit with Him (see 1 Corinthians 6:17)
- I have been bought with a price: I belong to God. (See 1 Corinthians 6:19-20)
- I am a member of Christ's Body (see 1 Corinthians 12:27)
- I am a saint, a holy one (see Ephesians 1:1)
- I have been adopted as God's child (see Ephesians 1:5)
- I have direct access to God through the Holy Spirit (see Ephesians 2:18)
- I have been forgiven of all my sins (see Colossians 1:14)
- I am complete in Christ (see Colossians 2:10)

**I RENOUNCE THE LIE THAT I AM GUILTY, UNPROTECTED, ALONE, OR ABANDONED. IN CHRIST I AM SECURE. GOD SAYS:**

- I am free from condemnation (see Romans 8:1-2)
- I am assured that all things work together for good (see Romans 8:28)
- I am free from all condemning charges against me (see Romans 8:31-34)
- I cannot be separated from the love of God (see Romans 8:35-39)
- I have been established, anointed, and sealed by God (see 2 Corinthians 1:21-22)
- I am confident that the good work God has begun in me will be perfected  
(See Philippians 1:6)
- I am a citizen of heaven (see Philippians 3:20)
- I am hidden with Christ in God (see Colossians 3:3)
- I have not been given a spirit of fear, but of power, love, and self-control (see 2 Timothy 1:7)
- I can find grace and mercy to help in time of need (see Hebrews 4:16)
- I am born of God and the evil one cannot touch me (see 1 John 5:18)

**I RENOUNCE THE LIE THAT I AM WORTHLESS, INADEQUATE, HELPLESS, OR HOPELESS. IN CHRIST I AM SIGNIFICANT. GOD SAYS:**

- I am the salt of the earth and the light of the world (see Matthew 5:13-14)
- I am a branch of the true vine, Jesus, a channel of His life (see John 15:1-5)
- I have been chosen and appointed by God to bear fruit (see John 15:16)
- I am a personal, Spirit-empowered witness of Christ (see Acts 1:8)
- I am a temple of God (see 1 Corinthians 3:16)
- I am a minister of reconciliation for God (see 2 Corinthians 5:17-21)
- I am a fellow worker with God (see 2 Corinthians 6:1)
- I am seated with Christ in the heavenly realms (see Ephesians 2:6)
- I am God's workmanship, created for good works (see Ephesians 2:10)
- I may approach God with freedom and confidence (see Ephesians 3:12)
- I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me! (See Philippians 4:13)