Battle on the Home-Front
Matthew 5:21-33

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Entry Point # 1 – Uncontrolled __anger__ (Matthew 5:21-26)

You can control anger with __reconciliation__ & __kindness__.

James 1:19-20
Ephesians 4:26
Proverbs 15:1

Entry Point # 2 – __Lust__ (Matthew 5:27-30)

You can kill lust by __cutting__ __it off__.

I Corinthians 10:13
Job 31:1

Entry Point # 3 – __Allowing__ __divorce__ as an option (Matthew 5:31-33)

3 Stages of Love (Hendrix)
1. __Romantic__ Love
2. __Power__ struggle
3. __Real__ Love

You can strengthen marriage with __covenant__ __faithfulness__.

You can have hope in the battles you fight on the home-front.

Matthew 19:1-12
Ephesians 5:21-33
Song of Songs 2:15
LifeGroup Questions - Doing Life Together
Week of October 29-November 4, 2017

FORWARD TO FREEDOM SPIRITUAL WARFARE
Battle on the Home-Front
Sermons can be viewed online at creeksideeg.com/sermon
Questions are based on the NIV translation of the Bible

PRAYER
Begin your time together by thanking God for the fact that Christ has not only given us truth about winning spiritual battles on the home-front, but also hope because He has already won the ultimate spiritual battle on the cross.

MY STORY
1. What is one area of challenge on “the home-front” that you often fail to realize is actually a spiritual struggle?
2. “There’s a fox in the henhouse. And we let him in.” What are some ways that you think Satan can sneak into our homes and relationships?

DIGGING DEEPER
3. Read Matthew 5:21-32. How can the following themes that Jesus addresses in the passage become part of the spiritual battle in day to day life in the home?
   - Uncontrolled anger – vv 21-26
   - Lust – vv 27-30
   - Allowing divorce to be an option – vv 31-32
4. Which of the “Entry Points” mentioned on Sunday most hits home for you? Why?
5. In your opinion, what are other spiritual battles that are often fought on the home-front, and what advice would you give on how to be victorious in each battle?
6. Tell about a time when a spiritual battle was fought and won in your home?

DIGGING EVEN DEEPER
7. What impact could the following verses have on either preventing spiritual battles or mitigating them in the home?
   - Ephesians 5:21, 33
   - Ephesians 6:4
   - 1 Peter 1:15,16
   - Ephesians 6:1,2
   - Romans 12:10
   - Philippians 2:3, 4
   - Ephesians 4:29
   - Colossians 3:13, 14
8. How does Christ's victory give us hope for these spiritual battles on the home-front?

TAKING IT HOME
9. Describe one way that you will be guarding your home, marriage, and family in these spiritual battles this week.

PRAYING TOGETHER
Pray for the needs of your group, and ask God to give you wisdom and to help you be victorious in the spiritual battles on the home-front.