

YOU HAD TO BE

THERE.



## Group Leader Curriculum

## Conversation Starters:

- 1.) Describe a time when you had a breakthrough.
- 2.) What did you learn from the journey you endured to reach your breakthrough?
- 3.) How did you persevere through the testing, the trials, the pain, and the pressure?

### Review / Reflect:

Ask your group members to share their favorite points from the sermon, what stood out to them, a phrase or moment from the sermon they related to the most, or question they have. If your members have a hard time remembering, share your notes and favorite points.

## Discussion Questions:

### Question 1:

What are some things we have to do during testing? (Persevere - Stand Firm)  
*James 1:12 CEB, 1st Corinthians 16:13-14*

### Question 2:

How is the culture around us telling us what images we should bow down to?  
(Daniel 3:1-7, 12-15 LB)

- Hidden in "Images" (Be careful what you watch)
- Hidden in "Sounds" (Be careful what you listen to)

### Question 3:

What areas have you given into? (Your appetites, success, money, character?)

### How to stand firm in this world:

- 1.) Put on the armor of God. - Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes. For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand.  
(Ephesians 6:11-14)

- 2.) Stand for the plan and purpose God has given you - Therefore, my dear brothers and sisters, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain. (1st Corinthians 15:58)

*Bad company corrupts good character - 1st Corinthians 15:33*

- 3.) Stand for God in your sphere of influence - "Whoever acknowledges me before others, I will also acknowledge before my Father in heaven" (Matthew 10:32)

## **Prayer Requests/ Close Prayer**