



## Enemy - Week 3

### Message Discussion Questions

#### **Introduction:**

This week Chance is continuing a new series titled 'Enemy'. We all love action movies because we feel like we can relate to the hero. But in order for there to be a hero, there has to be an enemy. None of us want to be the enemy, but we all want to be the hero.

We all wrestle with something, often we wrestle with an enemy. This week we are looking at the enemy that we face most often, and the one we usually fail to address...ourselves.

#### **Questions:**

1. What value is the law? Would you agree that sin in your life often draws you to break the law for what you believe is your own good? Isn't it good that you don't get to decide what is good? Romans 7:13
2. What does it mean to you that 'the trouble is not with the law, the trouble is with you as a slave to sin'? Do you ever feel like you are being pulled further away from God? Romans 7:14
3. Would you agree with Paul that 'I want to do what is right, but I don't because of sin living within me'? Do you find yourself wrestling with the same thing over & over again? Romans 7:15-17
4. Do you believe that you only notice your sin because of the law? Is the real battle between doing God's will & doing your own will? Is it hard for you to admit that you are sinful & broken and you can't fix the sin in your life? Romans 7:18-20

5. How can you be freed from this life that is dominated by sin & death? How can you deal effectively with the enemy from within, that when (not if) you fail there is someone who can help you? Romans 7:21-25
6. How can you know that Jesus is the only answer for you to your sin & the enemy from within? How can it help you to remember, 'the enemy within only wins if you are not trusting in Him'?
7. What does it mean for you to 'live without compromise' by trusting in Jesus Christ & by keeping your eyes focused on Him? How can that keep the enemy within from winning in your life?

**Key Takeaway:** *Trusting in Jesus provides what you need to deal with the enemy within & live your life without compromise. At just the right time, Jesus came for you to turn you from being an enemy, to being a friend of God.*

**Summary:**

- Sin draws us to break the law for what we believe is our own good...
- The trouble is not with the law, the trouble is with me as a slave to sin...
- I want to do what is right, but I don't because of the sin living within me...
- The real battle is between doing God's will vs doing my own will... we only notice our sin because of the Law
- Who can free you from this life that is dominated by sin, the enemy from within?
- Jesus Christ is the answer to your sin, only He can save you from the enemy within...
- The enemy within only wins if you are not trusting in Him (Jesus Christ) to help you to live without compromise...