

# SMALL GROUP GUIDE

## Review

- Review Peter's May 24<sup>th</sup> teaching and study guide.
- What were the main insights of Peter's teaching?
- What questions do you have about the passage or Peter's teaching?
- What were the main applications or takeaways for your life?

## Discuss

1. What was your initial emotional reaction to the idea of "holy war" in Deuteronomy 7? What specifically makes it difficult or unsettling?
2. Do you think people tend to emphasize one of these attributes (justice, love, faithfulness) over the others? What problems can that create?
3. How do you respond to the idea that God used war and human conflict to accomplish His purposes? The language of "complete destruction" may be hyperbolic. Does that help resolve tension for you, or not? Why?
4. What do you think about the claim that removing these nations protected the vulnerable and preserved Israel's faith?
5. How does the cross reframe the idea of "holy war"? What's similar and what's different compared to Deuteronomy 7? In what ways do you see God's justice, love, and faithfulness all meeting at the cross?

## Prayer Focus

- 247: "Lord, please add daily to the Cornerstone those who are being saved."