Ephesians 6:14

"The Belt of Truth"

7-15-12

Sermon Discussion Questions:

- 1. Pastor Samra mentioned some of the names Satan is given in the Bible as well as some of the roles he takes on as our enemy. What are some of the roles and titles he mentioned? Do any of them resonate with you personally? Is it something you think about often or hardly ever? Why do you think that is?
- 2. Pastor Samra read Ephesians 6:14a which states that we are to "stand firm with the belt of truth buckled around our waist". He talked about the belt, in this imagery and context, being a "foundation" upon which the armor rest of the armor rested. In your own life and walk with God, what would you say has been serving as your foundation? What person, thing, or concept has kept you grounded against the attacks of the enemy before?
- 3. Pastor Samra made it clear that Satan is the father of lies, he is pure evil and a liar. He went on to address 8 lies from Satan he deemed primary. Out of those, are there any that stood out to you? Are there any that Satan has used or does use against you?
- 4. In looking at the lies, Pastor Samra goes into discussing how some of these have worked their way into our life and the lives of those around us. Can you think of people in your life that might be believing some of these lies? Are there people in your life that may be living under these false ideas and not realize that it is affecting them? How so?
- 5. There was a lot of scripture used by Pastor Samra to show that the lies of Satan are untrue. Scripture is a powerful tool and weapon against the attacks of the enemy and we encouraged to be people who study the Word regularly. Is there any scripture from the message that stood out to you? Did any of the verses cited resonate with you or make you think of someone you know? In what way?
- 6. The last lie had to do with Satan's claim that there is no hope, whatever the situation, it will not improve, this is all that there is and will ever be. The Bible tells us that God can do immeasurably more than man can ask for or imagine. In Him all things are possible. Does this bring you comfort? Is it easy for you to believe this or not? Why?
- 7. The challenge becomes living this out. It is one thing to know we must start this fight against the Devil by standing firmly upon a foundation of truth but how do we do this? What are some practical steps God might be calling you to this week as you seek to live in His truth? Are there individuals that He may be placing in your thoughts that might need to hear this? What else may He be putting in your heart?