LIFE GROUP SERMON SUMMARY QUESTIONS

Watch the video summary of the **January 11, 2015 Sermon** (3.5 minutes), "The Opponent's Outcome." Please read the sermon passage (Daniel 11) together out loud.

Sermon Outline:

AS WE CONSIDER THE ANTI-MESSIANIC LINE, NOTE . . .

- 1. The historical fulfillments (1-35)
 - a. When Daniel speaks to his culture, he speaks of God's rightful reign and rule.
 - b. The kings of this world die with their hands empty, Christ has risen and holds the world in his hands.
 - c. Satan constantly tries to establish false kingdoms to rival God's kingdom.
- 2. The personal distinctives (36-39)
 - a. The false-Christ will magnify himself (36-37) rather than God
 - b. The false-Christ will fortify himself (38-39) (cf 1 John 2:18)
- 3. The final outcome (40-45)
 - a. In a coming international conflict, this antichrist will know no borders.
 - b. He will rule over global economics. But he will be defeated and die alone and without aid.
 - c. Christ's kingdom will be implemented, seen and will remain forever and ever.

Life Group Discussion Questions

- 1. Based on #1, above: Daniel lived in captivity for 60 years. God's promises were not seen and his Word was mocked--God was all but forgotten. But Daniel never wavered in his trust in God. Are you ready to believe God and continue to articulate a Christian worldview even when you know it is unpopular, mocked and criticized? Give an example of how you have done this recently.
- 2. Based on #1, above: The kings of this world die with their hands completely empty, but Jesus rose again and holds the whole world in his hands. How do you show your friends that you really believe this?
- 3. Based on #2, above: There are many antichrists who magnify and fortify themselves. Read 1 John 2:18. How does knowing God in this "last hour" provide comfort for you?
- 4. Based on #3, above: The opponent will be ultimately destroyed--utterly defeated for the whole world to see. Do you believe this? How does believing this change your anxiety level about the future? How does it change your prayer life? How does it change the intensity of your witness?
- 5. What changes does our Life Group need to make if we believe that the final hour is upon us and that the god that most people serve will be utterly destroyed? How can we pray for one another?