Horns & Hooves Week 2: Accusation CCV Groups Discussion Guide

Opening Question:

Let's celebrate together to start group! Share about how listening to God's voice and living on the side of His forgiveness through the cross Jesus has changed your life.

Groups Video Guide

Read it again:

Zechariah 3

Discuss:

- How do you see accusation handled (or mismanaged) in our culture?
- Read <u>Romans 8:31-35</u>. Identify and answer each of the five questions Paul lays out (one per verse).
- Share a time you were accused, rightly or wrongly. How did that make you feel?
 What was your response?
- How does shame affect our relationships, our performance, and our self-esteem?
 [You can discuss any one of these or all three.]

Prayer:

Encourage each person to write on a paper what they are being accused of by others (even a voice in their head of a parent, coach, ex), by Satan, and by themselves. They don't need to share what is on the paper, but have them identify where the accusation is coming from. Your prayer time is simply giving what is on the paper to God, releasing it, and claiming victory through Jesus Christ.

Scriptures:

- Revelation 12:10, "And I heard a loud voice in heaven, saying, "Now the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ have come, for the accuser of our brothers has been thrown down, who accuses them day and night before our God." [This is the only use of this Greek word in the Bible]
- Job 1:6-9, "One day the angels came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan also came with them. The LORD said to Satan, "Where have you come from?" Satan answered the LORD, "From roaming throughout the earth, going back and forth on it." Then the LORD said to Satan, "Have you considered my servant Job? There is no one on earth like him; he is blameless and upright, a man who fears God and shuns evil." "Does Job fear God for nothing?" Satan replied."
- **Zechariah 3:1**, "Then he showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to accuse him."