

## Avengers: End Game

In the movie
Avengers: End
Game, there are
many excellent

themes to discuss with your children. Watch this movie together and then use the tools below to have a short devotional.

"And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near." Hebrews 10:24-25

Avengers: End Game is a complex movie to wrap up a long journey that these heroes have taken together. At the end of the previous movie, Thanos managed to gather all the stones he needed to snap his fingers and remove half of the population which included many of our favorite characters. In this final film, they spend the entirety trying to find a way to defeat Thanos, culminating in an incredible battle sequence. Every living Avenger is present from The Black Panther to Captain Marvel and everyone in between. While each of these heroes has taken a turn trying to defeat Thanos with their own powers alone, they are never successful. It is not until the full might of everyone working together is accumulated that they are able to defeat him. Similarly, God knows that we were not made to live life alone and that we cannot successfully follow Christ on our own.

The most helpful thing He gives us is, of course, the Holy Spirit and His Word. Secondarily, however, He gives us the gift of each other. He gives us community. God lives in perfect community within Himself and knew from the beginning that "it is not good that man should be alone" (Genesis 2:18).

Even in the garden, God knew that we needed each other. Christ also did not disciple just one person, but a group so that they might rely on each other when things got hard. From this, the church was formed as a vital part of our spiritual development.

This community provides accountability, mentorship, teaching, and support through every trial. God knows that the world would make it hard to live like Jesus. He knew that trying to do it on your own would only lead to failure and despair. It's only when we work in unity, supporting each other, that we can walk this life with confidence.

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. Ephesians 4:1-3

## **Discussion Questions:**

- 1. What is the hardest part about living in community? (broken people living with broken people)
- 2. What is stopping you from being vulnerable enough to reach out to those around you?
- 3. How can you take a step to pursue community and be an initiator today?