

NEHEMIAH

when love dares
you to move

Sermon Discussion Curriculum – Week 8 Nehemiah 10:28-13:31 – Oct. 24, 2021

Helpful Resources

Check out one or more of these helpful overview videos of Nehemiah:

1) <https://bit.ly/1Nehemiah>; 2) <https://bit.ly/2Nehemiah>; 3) <https://bit.ly/3Nehemiah3>.

Be Determined by Warren Wiersbe - <https://bit.ly/DeterminedBe>

Nehemiah: LifeGuide Bible Studies by Don Fields - <https://bit.ly/DonFields>

Allow God to speak to you through His written Word. The goal of this time is to have quality connections and time together. Choose questions from Know, Grow and Show that will best help your group discuss the passage and take their next steps of faith. Don't feel like you need to use all the questions. Feel free to add your own too! We are praying for you as you lead your D-Group this week!



KNOW:

- Do you have a favorite city? Why is it your favorite?
- Describe the difference of emotions you may feel between a city you only visit and the feelings you have about the city in which you live. Why are these emotions different?
- Have you ever lived in a city that has a nickname? What was that city's nickname, and do you know the story behind the name?
- Have you ever witnessed or been a part of a flash mob that gathered to sing? Share about that experience.
- What is your favorite hymn? Why does that song speak to you so much? Do you have any other worship songs that you use to center your heart on Jesus?
- Share about a time that you were able to be a part of a dedication ceremony. What was the purpose? Who or what was being honored? Was there anything that happened at the ceremony that was unique?



GROW:

- “The abundant life in Christ is not defined by what God has given you but what he has done for you.” This phrase was used in the sermon from last week. How should our perspective of praise change in light of this biblical truth?
- Read Nehemiah 10:28-39. What is the significance of the Israelites separating themselves from the land around them? In what other ways did they visibly choose to worship God? Is there anything in this passage that stands out to you?
- It has been said that obedience without worship is legalism. Describe the hearts of those in giving in Nehemiah 12 and discuss that description in comparison with 2 Corinthians 9:7.
- Describe any similarities or themes found in Nehemiah 11 and 12 with that of Romans 12:1.
- In Nehemiah 12, the Israelites gave the Lord the first of everything that they had. Why do you think that it was important for them to give to the Lord right off the top? How did giving to the Lord impact their relationship with Him?
- After some time away from Israel, Nehemiah returns (chapter 13) to find that many of Israel’s promises made in their covenant in chapter 10 were being violated. What were some of the violations that Nehemiah found upon his return to Jerusalem? What significance do you think these violations played in their relationship with God?



SHOW:

- Pastor and theologian Warren Wiersbe writes, “Never underestimate the importance of simply being physically present in the place where God wants you.” In what ways can you express “the ministry of presence” in the lives of others this week? How will your presence bring the hope of Jesus into their lives?
- There are many similarities among religions and non-profits on their response to suffering. However, how a person behaves in response to success is a significant indication of who or what they worship. Elaborate on what we have learned from Nehemiah on how to show a watching world we believe God deserves all glory and honor.
- What does it look like for you to take inventory (similar to what the Israelites did) and dedicate yourself and all that you have to the Lord? Think about your own household. Maybe it is you, or your spouse, or children. Is there a special “ceremony” that you can do to mark this dedication?
- Look at the Hymns album from Fellowship Music. Pick one of the songs to play and sing together as a D-Group. Focus on your worship and encourage the group to focus on the Lord in this moment.
- In what ways have you compromised your walk with the Lord? Is there anything that you have “let slide” similar to the Israelites in Nehemiah 13? Share this with your D-Group and pray together that your heart will realign with Jesus.