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Title: Rise Up

Scriptures: Nehemiah 1:1-11

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- Let's talk
- Let's dig
- Let's act

### **Read Nehemiah 1:1-11**

1. A "truth report" – Nehemiah 1:1-3
2. You are not alone – Nehemiah 1:1-3
3. Go deeper – Nehemiah 1:4a
4. Reconnect to God – Nehemiah 1:4b; Exodus 34:28; James 5:16; Luke 11:2-4; 1 Chronicles 16:11
5. Fess up – Nehemiah 1:5-7; James 5:16
6. Your purpose supersedes your position in life – Nehemiah 1:8-10

### **Let's Talk**

- Icebreaker question (see ideas below)
- Does anyone have any praise reports?
- How is your week going?

### **Let's Dig -** (You do not have to answer all the questions. Choose a few.)

- In your own words, what is the overall message of the passage?
- What stands out to you as we read the Scriptures?
- Why do you think the Lord thought it was necessary to include these verses in the Bible?
- Have you had someone in your life that modeled the principles in this passage? Explain.
- Can you think of a situation or circumstance in your own life where you experienced what these verses are teaching?
- What are some of the benefits of applying these verses to your life?
- What are some of the obstacles to applying these verses to your life?

### **Let's Act**

- As we've been discussing this, what is the Holy Spirit showing you personally?
- How can you apply what you've learned from this lesson in your daily life?
- What practical actions are you inspired to take from the Scriptures studied in this lesson?



**Ice Breaker Questions** (Utilize these or create your own)

What are you thankful for today?

What is one thing you're looking forward to?

What is one fact about yourself that might surprise people?

What is one thing you like to do in your free time?

What is an activity or sport that you enjoy, and what do you enjoy about it?

What is an accomplishment that gives you pleasure? Explain why.

What advice would you give yourself as a new Christian?

Describe someone who had a great impact on your life.

What quality do you appreciate most in a friend?

If you knew you could not fail and money were no object, what would you like to do in the next five years?