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Nehemiah 3:1-32 | “Repairing and Rebuilding”

Sermon Application Review from Nehemiah 2

How did you give your fears to God this past week?
How did you see evidence of God’s hand in your life?
How did God show up in a “crunch time” moment?

Scripture References

Nehemiah 3:1–32
Matthew 5:13–16; 28:18–20
Romans 12:3–8
1 Corinthians 12:12–25
Ephesians 2:14–22
Ephesians 4:11–16
1 Peter 2:4–9

Study Questions

1. After inspecting the walls, Nehemiah used his experience of God’s grace to influence and inspire the people. In what sphere (e.g., home, work, neighborhood, friends, etc.) is God calling you to utilize your influence? How might you draw attention to God’s goodness and grace? How can you motivate God’s people to fulfill their ministry? Read John 4:34; 19:30; Colossians 4:17; and 2 Timothy 4:5–8.
2. How can you know where in God’s purposes you ought to serve? Since no believer can do it all, how can you know when it’s okay to say “no” to a ministry opportunity? Are you presently doing your part in serving your church? Do you recognize that when you don’t do your share it places excessive burdens on others? When your earthly life is done, what significant ministry projects will you have completed with your fellow brethren?
3. As a leader, Nehemiah assigned responsibility for the wall’s construction to those who did the work. Consider how this principle of delegated responsibility might apply in business, in the church, and in your home. Do you work joyfully and with all your strength? Do you work for God’s pleasure? Read 1 Corinthians 10:31; Colossians 3:17, 23?
4. Is there a proper place for healthy competition among believers? Give biblical support. When is it out of balance? Should we teach our kids more about cooperation instead of competition? Since we’re all working for the same goal of honoring Christ, how can you strive to be the best servant you can be while selflessly encouraging others in their service?
5. In light of Nehemiah 3, reflect on Ephesians 4:3–5, 11–13. How can the church achieve unity while encouraging diversity and individual gifts? Read 1 Corinthians 12:12–26. Do you look for ways to express appreciation to those parts of the body that you don’t normally serve in? How can you increase my awareness and gratitude for those servants and ministries that you don’t keep tabs on?

Recommended Reading

Bryan Chapell, *Grace at Work: Redeeming the Grind and the Glory of Your Job* (Crossway, 2022)
Scott Pace & Shane Pruitt, *Calling Out the Called: Discipling Those Called to Ministry Leadership* (B&H, 2022)