



**January 8, 2023 | Pastor Keith Krell**  
**Nehemiah 1:1-11 | “Broken and Burdened”**

**Sermon Application Review from Psalm 133**

How did you humbly unite with another believer?

How did you adopt a global perspective?

**Scripture References**

Nehemiah 1:1–11

Ezra 9:5–15

Exodus 32:30–33

Daniel 9:4–19

Matthew 7:7–8

Luke 11:1–13; 18:1–8

1 Thessalonians 5:16–18

**Study Questions**

1. What area of your life feels broken right now? How have you given your brokenness to the Lord? With whom have you shared your brokenness? How has this person walked with you amidst your pain?
2. How concerned are you about the welfare of CBC (1:2–3)? In what ways do you act on your concern? How do you express concern for the progress of the regional, national, and global church? Are you regularly praying for spiritual renewal among God’s people? If not, what keeps you from doing so? How can you cultivate a greater burden for the health of the church?
3. In what ways do you regularly confess your personal and family sins and humbly identify with the corporate sins of CBC (1:4)? How does your level of concern cause you grief and motivate you to seek the Lord? Is prayer your first or last resort? What steps will you take this week to grow in your prayer life?
4. How much do you understand God’s character and attributes (1:5–10)? How can this knowledge influence your prayer life? What is on your list of impossible prayer requests (1:8–10)? What makes it difficult to persevere? Read Luke 18:1–8. How have you learned to pray God’s Word and His promises?
5. In what ways do you see your identity as a “servant” of God (1:10–11)? How are you consciously serving your employer, fellow employees, church, family, and friends? How do you use your position or role to glorify God? What would you like to do differently in this year?

**Recommended Reading**

Ronald Dunn, *Don’t Just Stand There, Pray Something* (Thomas Nelson, 1991)

Andrew Murray, *With Christ in the School of Prayer* (Whitaker House, 1981)

J. Oswald Sanders, *Spiritual Leadership: Principles of Excellence for Every Believer* (Moody, 1967)