

Opposition to an Upgrade

Nehemiah 3-6 - Pastor Brian Petak

Together is *better*. (Neh. 3)

- We are *one*.
- Everyone has a *role*.

Opposition is *inevitable* (Neh. 4-6)

- *Expect* it
- *Pray* in the face of it.
- *Trust* God and *keep moving*.

So what?

BASE CAMP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. In Nehemiah, everyone had a role to play in rebuilding the wall around Jerusalem. Do you have a role to play at The Ascent? If so, what is your role and how does it contribute to The Ascent accomplishing its mission? If not, what are some ways you could explore your role "on the wall"?

2. Nehemiah experienced significant opposition both from the outside, as well as from within. What are some ways that you can see The Ascent Church experiences opposition in its efforts to accomplish its mission?

3. Sanballat and Tobiah jeered at Nehemiah and God's people who were working on the wall. They wanted to stop God's work. Describe some of the opposition you've experienced in your personal walk of faith.

4. What are some of the ways you can see our culture provides opposition to the church? To you, your marriage, your family?

5. Is it possible that you might be providing opposition to what God wants to accomplish in some way? How can you change this?

6. What are some steps you can take to respond to the opposition you experience in a healthy and God-honoring way?

Spend some time following Nehemiah's example by praying for each other - and for The Ascent Church - as we walk together in this season of Upgrade and growth.