



# DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FROM APRIL 20/21 SERMON

If you missed the sermon, check out [biblechapel.org/sermons](http://biblechapel.org/sermons).

This past weekend in chapter 2, we saw God open the door for Nehemiah to finally address King Artaxerxes regarding Nehemiah's heart to go to Jerusalem to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem and restore the community of Israel.

- 1) Read [Nehemiah 2](#) in its entirety. Looking back at what we covered in chapter 1 and now reading again chapter 2, we said this weekend that God through Nehemiah lays out a game plan to have a God-given vision for your life.

First and foremost, we witnessed:

Nehemiah's game plan to set a God-given vision for your *(insert area)*:

- 1) **Prayerfully set a clear vision goal from God's Word.**

Read again [Nehemiah 2:8, 12, 18](#) and then [Proverbs 29:18](#).

Have you ever set a God-given vision goal for an area of your life?  
If so, share that process with the group.

Why is it important to have God-given vision goals for critical areas in your life? (relationships, marriage, parenting, career, church, etc.)

- 2) Read again [Nehemiah 2:11-16](#). We said this weekend, after prayerfully establishing the God-given vision goal for a certain area in your life:

Nehemiah's game plan to set a God-given vision for your *(insert area)*:

- 2) **Intentionally lay out practical steps toward your goal.**

What do you notice about Nehemiah's process in v.11-16?

Why was it important that he didn't communicate the vision until he did his research?

What happens if you have a God-given vision goal but never sit down and plan out the steps to pursue that goal?

3) Once your plan is established, next we see from Nehemiah:

Nehemiah's game plan to set a God-given vision for your *(insert area)*:

**3) Confidently communicate the vision to those impacted.**

Read again [Nehemiah 2:17-18](#).

What do you see in these two verses regarding the effective communication of Nehemiah?

4) Go back and read again [Nehemiah 2:1-3](#). We said this weekend possibly the most critical moment in this entire chapter was when Nehemiah confessed "I was very much afraid." How Nehemiah responded to his fear meant everything to carrying out the vision God gave him. This weekend we said:

Nehemiah's game plan to set a God-given vision for your *(insert area)*:

**4) Don't let fear prevent you from taking each next step.**

Has fear ever prevented you from taking a step in your life when you knew God was calling you to do something?

How can we practically set up structure in our lives that when fear comes upon us as we carry out a God-given vision goal that we don't let fear stop us from taking simply the next step towards that vision?

5) Read again [Nehemiah 2:9, 10, 19-20](#).

Finally, we see early on, Nehemiah and Israel had opposition coming from every side to stop them from rebuilding the wall. And we said this weekend:

Nehemiah's game plan to set a God-given vision for your *(insert area)*:

**5) Let outside opposition fuel you, not defeat you.**

How did Nehemiah respond early on to opposition?

How does a believer practically allow outside opposition towards their God-given vision goal fuel them not defeat them?