

Change is the Point: Week 11 Grow or Die: Nehemiah 11-13

Joel Engle, March 31, 2019 Small Group Discussion Questions

Getting Started

Take some time to catch up and connect as a group. Pray before discussion. Expect God to move through your time together!

Pacing Your Group

Move quickly through "observation" leaving enough time for "reflection", "discussion", and "surrender."

Scripture Reading

Read aloud the passage for this week's study, slowly enough for everyone to enjoy. Re-read as you discuss the questions.

Observation: What does this scripture passage say?

- 1. Nehemiah 11:1-2 What decision did leaders and some of the people make about where they would live?
- 2. Nehemiah 12:27-30 Describe the dedication that is taking place.
- 3. Nehemiah 13:1-9 What has happened to the holiness and purity of the nation? How does Nehemiah respond?

Reflection and Discussion: Talk together about how the scriptures connect to everyday life.

- 4. Joel stated, "We never feel more alive than when we use our gifts and talents and grow in ministry". Has this principle been true for you in your life? Explain why or why not.
- 5. How would you define "worship"? How do you "worship"?
- 6. Why is it so easy for some to turn from being on FIRE for God to feeling cold and trapped in bad habits or spiritual deadness?

Surrender: Responding to God's voice.

- 7. Are you growing in Christ or withering in self? What is one thing God is saying to you through this study and discussion?
- 8. Is there something that God is calling you to say "YES" to in this season? Maybe...
- Following Jesus as Lord and Savior for the first time?
- Getting your questions about God and church answered?
- Stepping out of loneliness and isolation?
- Bringing your friends to hear about Jesus on Easter?
- Recommitting your life to Jesus?
- Using your spiritual gift in ministry.
- Walking away from addiction into redemption.
- Praying for a person or situation daily.