

# Change is the Point: Week 5 Contending for Change: Nehemiah 4

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#### **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" and "reflection", leaving enough time for "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.

#### Nehemiah Chapter 4

This week read the entire chapter, Nehemiah 4, before answering questions below. Text not included in these notes because of the length of this chapter. ChangePoint uses the English Standard Version (ESV) during Sunday messages.

#### Observation: What does this scripture passage say?

- 1. Describe the opposition that Nehemiah and the Jews face in building the wall.
- 2. How do Nehemiah and the Jews respond to each aspect of opposition?

# Reflection: What are some first thoughts flowing from the scriptures?

- 3. One of the promises of salvation is life change. Transformation is God's agenda for all of us that know him. Name an area of your life that has been transformed already because of God's work in your life?
- 4. What were some of the best parts and hardest parts of going through the life change process you experienced?

#### Discussion: Talking together about how the scriptures connect to everyday life.

- 5. Name a recent area in your life that is being transformed and changed by God. Tell your group about it. Have things been hard or difficult for you lately?
- 6. What threats and opposition from the enemy are making change in your life difficult right now?
- 7. What strategies or actions do you think God would have you use to face the threats and opposition you face?

#### Surrender: Responding to God's voice.

8. A What is one thing God is saying to you through this study and discussion?