

NEW TEAMWORK

Nehemiah 2-4

Whatever the Lord calls us to do, He calls us to do it together!

In a time when the Lord is calling His people to trust Him for great things together,
we look today at one of the greatest team efforts in all of Scripture.

Great teamwork is born through great challenge (2:11-18)

Great teamwork trusts in the power of God (2:19-20)

Great teamwork gets to work – hands and heart (3:1-32)

Great teamwork perseveres through opposition (4:1-23)

Great teamwork is ready for anything (4:1-23)

Great teamwork stays on mission (Matthew 28:19-20)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Meditate on Nehemiah 2:20 and Psalm 46.
- Watch the Bible Project introduction to Nehemiah www.youtube.com/watch?v=MkETkRv9tG8

- Read these good articles on leadership principles from Nehemiah:
 <u>centerforfaithandwork.com/article/leadership-lessons-nehemiah</u>
- www.churchleadership.com/leading-ideas/ten-leadership-lessons-fromnehemiah
- Read The 17 Indisputable Laws of Teamwork by John Maxwell
- Read "8 Values of Teamwork that Keep a Church Healthy" https://pastors.com/8-values-of-teamwork-that-keep-a-church-healthy/
- Reflect on "Psalm 46 (Lord of Hosts)" www.youtube.com/watch?v=zPETiZPNrFU

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

- 1. What stood out to you most from the message?
- 2. What's a great team that you have had the honor of being part of? What is a special moment you shared together with this team?
- 3. As Nehemiah surveyed the walls, what do you think are some of the thoughts he was having? Why?
- 4. What causes you to feel overwhelmed lately? Can you relate at all to feeling paralyzed? What do we learn from Nehemiah about how to carry on in such situations?
- 5. Read Nehemiah 2:17. We heard a lot about this verse in the message. What stands out to you about the way Nehemiah casts his vision to the people?
- 6. Share about a time when you faced opposition when you sought to do what the Lord was calling you to do. How did you respond? How did you see the Lord work?
- 7. At times we feel we are facing opposition when perhaps the Lord really is trying to redirect our plan. How do you know the difference between real opposition and real redirection from God?
- 8. What do you see in Nehemiah chapter 3 that reminds you of how the Body of Christ is designed to work today?
- 9. We have seen Nehemiah constantly call on the Lord during his journey. What difference do you think that is making and why? What might it look like for you to follow more fully in his example that way?
- 10. Read Matthew 28:19-20. How did you see this mission fulfilled in and through you or others from our church last week? What might the Lord be asking you to do this week to stay on mission?