



Our Future – Nehemiah 11-13

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Nehemiah 12:27 & 43

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Build Up to Reach Out: Our Future
Questions based on sermon on May 5, 2024

Getting to Know Me

1. What is something you worked incredibly hard to accomplish?
Why was it an important goal for you?

Digging Deeper

2. What hit home for you most in Pastor Phil's sermon this Sunday?
3. Thinking over this series on Nehemiah, what impacted you the most?
4. Read Nehemiah 1:3. How did the physical condition of the walls of Jerusalem mirror the spiritual condition of the people of Israel? What parallels do you see to the people of our church and our community?
5. Nehemiah chapters 1-7 tell the story of building the wall so that the city could thrive. What steps of preparation do you remember from these chapters? Which of those steps have you committed to help with in our church's building up to reach out?
6. Nehemiah chapters 8-10 focus on reigniting their passion for God. Read Nehemiah 8:5-6. How would you rate (1-10) your passion for God today? What steps can you take to reignite your love for Him and trust in His promises?
7. Nehemiah chapters 11-13 speak of resettling the city of Jerusalem and once again reigniting their passion for God. Read Nehemiah 11:2. Why were the people who volunteered to live in Jerusalem commended? Phil said there are challenges and sacrifices needed to bring people to God. What do you think this looks like for us today?

8. Twenty-five percent of Jesus' teaching deals with money and yet we get uncomfortable talking about it (especially in church). Why do you think he spent so much time on this topic? We are called stewards of God's riches. What does it mean to be a steward?
9. Read 2 Corinthians 9:6-7. What mindset do you need to have to be a cheerful giver?

Making it Personal

10. Nehemiah shows God's everlasting faithfulness to his people. How have you seen God's faithfulness in your life and our church? How do you think God wants your faith to grow?
11. What challenges you as you pray about your role as a faithful steward of God's gifts?

Build Up and Reach Out

12. Write down the names of 3-5 people you desire to draw closer to God through the ministry of RMCC. What dreams do you have for the future of our ministry and the surrounding communities as we *Build Up and Reach Out*?
13. Nehemiah reminds us that *our focus is not on finances or facilities, but on being formed in the likeness of Christ* as we engage in God's work. Pray and seek the Spirit's direction on how God would have you engage in this project. In your group, share about how he's moved in your heart in this past month.

Prayer

God, we celebrate with joy all you have done in the hearts of your people. Help us be good stewards of all you have given us. Help us to remember your faithfulness *to us* and our promises *to you*. Amen!

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