

The Sounds Was Lound
Nehemiah 12

Break the Ice:

1. What is your idea of a musical extravaganza?"
 - a. Macy's Day Marching band parade.
 - b. Wicked at Gammage / 100 Piece Orchestra
 - c. Halftime of the superbowl
 - d. Taylor Swift concert
2. What do you associate with Thanksgiving celebrations?
 - a. Pilgrims
 - b. Grandma's
 - c. Football
 - d. Turkey
 - e. Count your blessings

Observe:

1. What were the specific actions of the priests? What was the purpose of the processions? Which groups were included? Who led each group? What directions did they go?
2. If you were there, what would you see, hear, feel?
3. If the local evening news was covering this, what interviews would they want to get?
4. What was the mood around and on the wall?
5. What steps of appreciation do the people take to ensure that those who serve at the temple-singers, Levites, Priests, gatekeepers,- are cared for? (44-47)

Application:

1. Remember Nehemiah's lonely walk around Jerusalem in Chapter 2. How does that compare to this in Chapter 12? In your life, are you more in Chapter 2 or Chapter 12 with what God has called you to do?
2. When have you been tempted to believe that one position within the church is more important than another? Where are you currently serving?
3. How are you like Ezra and Nehemiah, finding, using and developing your gifts to build God's kingdom?

Upcoming:

Fall Launch This Sunday, August 3
Life Group Launch-6 Weeks, Starting September 9
Marriage Conference: Fri-Sat, September 26-27