

Discussion Guide

Discussion Guides accompany the [weekly message](#).

Opening Activity:

Invite each person to share one moment from their life when they felt God prompting them to do something meaningful—big or small—and how they responded. Did they act? Wait? Pray? Resist? Celebrate the courage in simply doing the next right thing.

Discussion Questions:

1. What stood out to you the most about Nehemiah's response to the news about Jerusalem's broken walls? (Nehemiah 1:3-4)
2. Why is it significant that God began His revival work in Nehemiah while he was still in Babylon, far from the place of rebuilding? (Nehemiah 1:1, Nehemiah 2:1)
3. What do we learn from Nehemiah about how to respond when we feel burdened by something broken in our lives, families, or world? (Nehemiah 1:4)
4. Nehemiah's prayer follows the ACTS model (Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication). Which of these do you most often leave out of your own prayer life, and how can you grow in that area? (Nehemiah 1:5-11)
5. Share a time when you felt revival stirring in your life. What was your next step, or what should it have been? (Psalm 51:10-12)
6. How does the quote from Emily Freeman challenge or affirm how you make decisions in faith? "If we don't have clear answers or sure things, then taking a big step feels like a risk at best and a wasteful mistake at worst." (2 Corinthians 5:7, Proverbs 3:5-6)
7. How can we support one another as a group in praying persistently, like Nehemiah did over 4-5 months? (Nehemiah 1:1, Nehemiah 2:1, Luke 18:1-8)
8. What would it look like for you to identify and take your next right step this week? (James 1:22, Philippians 2:13)

Challenge for the Week:

Spend intentional time each day this week asking God: *What is my next right step?* Use Nehemiah's prayer format (ACTS) as your daily structure.

Adoration: Praise God for who He is and what He's already done in your life.

Confession: Acknowledge the sins or doubts that might be holding you back.

Thanksgiving: Reflect on how God has already been faithful.

Supplication: Ask Him for clarity, courage, and favor to take your next step.

Write it down. Share your step with the group next time.