



## Small Group Questions

### Nehemiah 3

**REMINDER:** The purpose of our small groups at Cypress is to learn to love one another. We seek to do this as we: 1. Study the Bible together; 2. Discuss how to put Jesus' teachings into practice together; 3. Pray together; and 4. Live life together. Please use these questions only as they help you achieve this purpose. You will notice that these questions are structured around the three basic principles of Bible study - observation, interpretation, and application.

1. **Sermon Link:** Read Nehemiah 3. What was your take away from Sunday's sermon on Nehemiah 3?

2. **Observation – What do you see?**

Nehemiah 3 is an interesting chapter. There are lots of potential things that could stand-out to you. After carefully reading through the chapter yourself, what arrests your attention? And how do you think it applies to building up the church?

3. **Interpretation – What does it mean?**

Read Ephesians 4:11-16 and 1 Peter 2:1-6. The building work in the church isn't primarily physical, like it was in Nehemiah's day; it's spiritual. It's building up others in Christ's love and building relationships of love with each other. What does it mean to do these things?

What is your "section of the wall" at Cypress? Who are the people the Lord is calling you to pour yourself into? How are you intentionally putting 1 Thessalonians 5:11 into practice?

4. **Application – How does this apply?**

After studying Nehemiah 3, how is the Holy Spirit stirring in your heart? Specifically, is He stirring you about "a section of the wall" that you can help to take ownership of at Cypress? How can you intentionally work on building others up in love, as Ephesians 4 calls us to do?

5. **Prayer ...**