



Small Group Questions Nehemiah 4

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 4. What was your take away from Sunday's sermon on Nehemiah 4?

2. **Observation – What do you see?**

The people were making great progress on the wall until Sanballat showed up. (They had completed half the wall!) Do you see a connection between Sanballat's verbal attacks and the people's disillusionment? What do you think we can learn from this?

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

How would you describe Nehemiah's emphasis on prayer in this chapter? How does Nehemiah's example encourage you to pray?

Several times in this important chapter Nehemiah calls people's attention to God. Who did Nehemiah remind the people that God is?

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

Nehemiah doesn't just pray, he also doesn't "shrink back" (Heb. 10:39) from rebuilding the wall. What else does he do? How do you think this applies to us, as we seek to "build one another up in love"(Eph 4)?

5. **Prayer ...**