



Small Group Questions Nehemiah 7

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 it into practice; 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 according to the three basic principles of Bible study - observation, interpretation, and application.

1. **Sermon Link:** Read Nehemiah 7. What was your take away from Sunday's sermon on Nehemiah 7?

2. **Observation – What do you see?**

Why do you think Nehemiah quoted Ezra 2 (almost word-for-word) in Nehemiah 7:7-73? What was so important about these names and numbers for God to include them twice in His Word?

What were the five characteristics of a worship-centered community in the sermon on Sunday?

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

Read Acts 2:41-47. In what ways do the five characteristics of a worship-centered community in Nehemiah 7 parallel the marks of the church described in Acts 2?

As you reflect on the characteristics of a worship-centered community in Scripture and consider your engagement at Cypress, is there one characteristic you'd like to grow in?

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

How is the Holy Spirit stirring in you after studying Nehemiah 7? What do you need to pray about? What discussions do you need to have? What action do you need to take?

5. **Prayer ...**