

Build from the inside out! (Part 9) - Going Deeper Questions

Sunday, May 24, 2026

Question #1: When you read Scripture, are you reading to finish a passage or to fully understand it? What's the difference in your current approach? What practical steps can you take to move from casual reading to intentional understanding of God's Word?

Question #2: The people in Nehemiah 8 created space and time for the Word, what is currently competing for that space in your life? Who helps you understand Scripture (pastor, group, mentor), and how can you lean into that more consistently? Is there someone that can walk with you or whom you can walk with to a more full understanding of scripture?

Question #3: When was the last time God's Word convicted you deeply? What did you do with that conviction? Do you tend to stay in guilt after conviction, or move into the joy and freedom God offers? Why? What does "the joy of the Lord is your strength" look like in your daily life, not just in church? How can you shift your perspective so that correction from God's Word becomes something you rejoice in rather than resist?

Question #4: Is there something God has already shown you in His Word that you have not yet obeyed? What is holding you back? Do you tend to delay obedience until it feels convenient or comfortable? Why do you think that is?

Question #5: How have you experienced joy as a result of obedience in the past? What would it look like for you to move from being a hearer of the Word to a doer this week?

Question #6: In what ways might you be "put together" on the outside but still in need of renewal on the inside? What would spiritual renewal actually look like in your life if it fully took place?

Challenge:

1. Commit to spending time in God's Word every day this week—even if it's just 10–15 minutes.
2. When God's Word convicts you, don't ignore it, don't remain in guilt, move to a place of prayer and praise!
3. Identify one clear thing God is asking you to do and do it this week.