

LESSON 5 - DON'T BE PARALYZED - GET ORGANIZED!

NEHEMIAH 3

DAY 1 - REVIEW

1. What most inspired you in last week's lesson? What action will you take from this inspiration?
2. How did the lecture help you?
3. What did you learn from the commentary notes that you did not know prior to reading them?

DAY 2 - READ NEHEMIAH 3:1-2

READING: Nehemiah 3:1-2; Numbers 25:10-13; Deuteronomy 18:1-5; Ezekiel 44:28; Malachi 2:1-9 [[Open NKJV](#)] [[Open NIV](#)]

4. Who were the first people recorded to start working on this rebuilding project?
5. Using only the following Bible references, write down a brief profile of the Old Testament priest:

Numbers 25:10-13

Deuteronomy 18:1-5

Ezekiel 44:28

Malachi 2:1-9
6. Using the profile you just created for the Old Testament priest, write down a one word descriptor of his work for God's people.
7. **Thought Question:** Do you think it was wise of Nehemiah to recruit the spiritual leaders of Israel for the manual labor of rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem? Why or why not?

8. What does Nehemiah 3:1 record that the priests did in addition to building gates and walls?
9. **Personal Question:** Describe a time in your life when you dedicated something to God.

DAY 3 - READ NEHEMIAH 3:3-32

READING: Nehemiah 3:3-32; 1 Corinthians 12:12-26 [[Open NKJV](#)] [[Open NIV](#)]

10. Note the number of times the phrase "next to him" occurs.
11. **Thought Question:** What do you find significant about this phrase "next to him"?
12. Using 1 Corinthians 12:12-26, describe in a sentence or two how teamwork in the Church is supposed to work.
13. **Personal Question:** Have you ever been involved in a successful "team" effort in sports, business, church, family, etc.? What was the single most important ingredient to the success of that "team" effort?
14. After reading 1 Corinthians 12:12-26, is there anything from that passage that you should apply to your own life? Share it with your group.

DAY 4 - READ NEHEMIAH 3:5

READING: Nehemiah 3:5; James 4:17; Matthew 7:24-27 [[Open NKJV](#)] [[Open NIV](#)]

15. What is different about the work being described in this verse from the rest of Chapter 3?
16. Is not doing what you should do just as wrong as doing what you should not do? Explain your answer.

17. Read James 4:17.

- a. Write down the facts you learn from this text. (*Hint: Don't paraphrase, use the text.*)

- b. Record a principle or two that you see in this verse. (*Hint: look for a command, warning or promise.*)

- c. How might you apply a principle from this verse in your own life?

18. Read Matthew 7:24-27. What is your main "take away" from these verses?

19. **Personal Question:** Is there anything that God has asked you to do that you have refused to do? What is it?

DAY 5 - READ NEHEMIAH 3:12

READING: Nehemiah 3:12; Luke 2:36-38; John 20:1-2; John 20:10-18; Acts 16:14-15; Acts 21:9 [[Open NKJV](#)] [[Open NIV](#)]

20. Who helped Shallum repair their section of the wall?

21. From the following texts, how has God used women in building His kingdom?

Luke 2:36-38

John 20:1-2, 10-18

Acts 16:14 & 15

Acts 21:9

22. After reading the cross references above, what do you conclude about women doing God's work?

DAY 6 - SKIM NEHEMIAH 3

READING: Nehemiah 3 [[Open NKJV](#)] [[Open NIV](#)]

23. Using just Nehemiah 3, what are the 3 most important things God's people did to insure success in their mission?

24. **Personal Question:** Using the condition of Jerusalem's walls as a metaphor for the condition of your life, how might you implement some of the things the people of Israel did to rebuild the walls to your own life? (*Hint: Look at your answer to question 23 and determine if any of those things will work in rebuilding something in your own life.*)