

Answering The Call

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Taking it Home:

1. Nehemiah's heart was moved by the plight of his people, and he answered God's call to do something about it. What moves your heart? In what way might God be asking you to answer His call to do something about that which disturbs you?

2. Nehemiah had to persevere and stand firm amid great opposition. Read 1 Corinthians 15:58. Where might you need to stand firm to remain faithful to God's call?

Prayer Concerns:

What moves you?

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Answering God's call...

1. Begins with a _____ heart.

2. Relies on _____ and _____.

3. Involves embracing a _____.

4. Requires _____ under _____.

5. Invites _____ to use _____ gift they've received.

6. Leads to great _____.

Will you answer the call?

Personal Study/Growth Group Discussion Questions

Getting Started:

1. What unfinished, or yet to be started house project most disturbs you?

Digging Deeper:

1. Read Nehemiah 1:1-4. What about the report of Nehemiah's brother most moved him? What was the significance of a broken-down wall to the Jewish nation in a city like Jerusalem during a time of exile?
2. Read Nehemiah 1:4-11. What was Nehemiah's first point of activity after hearing the news from Jerusalem? What stands out to you about his prayer? What place does prayer have in your decision-making or ministry planning/execution?
3. Read Nehemiah 5:14-19 and Mark 10:41-45. What biblical leadership characteristics do you find in these passages? What privileges and rights have you given up so that God's work can prosper?
4. Read Nehemiah 4:1-8. What opposition did Nehemiah and the exiles face in the building project God had called them to? How did Nehemiah handle it? Share a time when God helped you persevere to fulfill what He asked you to do.
5. Read Nehemiah 3:1-12; 6:15-16. Who was involved in the rebuilding of the wall? How did it get built in such a short amount of time? How does the work of rebuilding the wall correspond with the body of Christ imagery described in the New Testament? What implications does this have for ministry at FCCO?
6. Read Nehemiah 12:27-43. Beyond simply completing a project, why was there such great joy in Jerusalem? What has brought you joy in answering God's call to build His kingdom?