**Home Group Notes** Week of May 19, 2024 Nehemiah 6



## "THE GOOD HAND OF GOD"

How do you see the "Good hand of God" in your life today?

## LET'S LEARN FROM GOD'S WORD

The stories from God's Word always contain truth that we need in our lives today. Here are four huge benefits of learning from God's Word in Nehemiah. First, we learn the truth about God - His character, His ways, and His promises. Second, His Word reveals principles for how we can trust and follow God now, including how to fulfill God's purposes and missions together. Third, His words give us wisdom in how to be savvy about the Enemy and those who are evil in our world. And lastly, we learn how to be empowered by God to love and reach the people in our worlds. (There is much more.)

Let's look at Nehemiah chapter six and consider what God has revealed in just this one chapter. Read through the story of the plots against Nehemiah. (I have included a few comments below that might be helpful.)

## Comments:

V1: The wall was nine feet thick, composed of "used and abused" stones from the previous wall.

V2: The enemies wanted for Nehemiah to meet them in a town seven miles outside of the walls.

V6: Kings took rumors of revolt or plots very seriously.

V10: See 2 Chronicles 23:6. For anyone other than a priest to enter the temple was grievous sin.

V17: Some of the nobles were related by marriage to Tobiah, an enemy governor to the east.

What are the plots (schemes against Nehemiah? How did he respond to each? How did God act upon each siti

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What do we learn about God from this chapter? ("God" is mentioned in verse 9, 10, 12, 14, 16)
What do we learn about how to respond to opposition or pressure from people?
Nehemiah included two short prayers. How did God answer his requests?
DISCUSS TOGETHER As we have now looked at six chapters, what have we learned about God?
Jesus warned us that if we are following and serving Him, we would face opposition. What wisdom do we learn about how to handle challenges from Nehemiah six?
What challenges or disappointments do you face in a given week, month, or year? Do you ever feel like God hasn't responded to your prayers? Are there times when you have seen God work much later than you would desire? Why does God allow trouble in our lives?
<ul> <li>PLEASE PRAY</li> <li>Please pray as we trust God to team up in ministry to reach the people in our worlds who need Jesus.</li> <li>Pray that we will heed God's call and fulfill how we can make disciples in our worlds.</li> <li>Please pray for wisdom for leaders as they consider how to budget to please God and fulfill our mission.</li> </ul>

• Please pray for Kid's Ministries to have the needed teammates for summer staff.