

NEHEMIAH

BUILDING THROUGH PRAYER

Week 2: Read Nehemiah Chapter 1

1. In what ways did Nehemiah show his concern for the captives who had returned to Jerusalem?
2. What was Nehemiah's first response when faced with a seemingly hopeless predicament?
3. What does Nehemiah's prayer reveal about his view of himself and of God?
4. How do you think prayer prepared Nehemiah to lead his people?
5. Why would Nehemiah's position of authority be an asset in improving the situation?
6. How good are we at recognising need in others?
7. If God knows all our fears, desires, and needs, why does he want us to pray about them?
8. Based on this passage, what are some of the ingredients of effective prayer?
9. In what ways can prayer change a person's attitude towards life's difficulties?
10. In what ways does God bless those who continually turn to him in prayer?

Application:

Discuss in your group how you could be more active in praying for each other during the week – how can you be more intentional with prayer for others in the fellowship? What could we as a church do to become a church of prayer? Please feedback to Stuart on your discussions.