



# Lessons From The Wall

## SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

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## GETTING STARTED

Have you ever felt opposition right when you were doing something good?

Nehemiah faced relentless pushback as he rebuilt Jerusalem's wall. Yet through pressure, fear and distraction, he stayed focused on God's calling. This passage reminds us that following God doesn't remove challenges — it refines our trust in Him.

### **Read: Nehemiah 6: 1-16**

Questions:

- When have you felt challenged or distracted while doing what you believed God called you to do?
- What helped you stay focused and faithful during that time?

# INTO THE WORD

Nehemiah's enemies tried to lure him away with meetings and lies, hoping he'd lose heart. His reply was simple and powerful: "I am doing a great work and cannot come down." (v3). His focus came from knowing who had called him and why. Like Nehemiah, we need discernment to recognise when the enemy's goal is simply to pull us off the wall — to stop what God has started in us.

## **Questions:**

- What distractions or voices tempt you to "come down from the wall"?
- How can we learn to recognise God's voice in seasons of opposition?

# GOING DEEPER - PRAYER

When the threats grew stronger, Nehemiah's instinct wasn't panic but prayer: "But now, O God, strengthen my hands." (v9). Prayer wasn't just his preparation; it was the battle itself. When we face hardship, prayer centres us back on God's strength, not our own. As Peter Greig writes, "Prayer is not preparation for the battle; prayer is the battle."

## **Questions:**

- What would it look like for prayer to become your first response, not your last resort?
- How might your prayer life shift if you saw prayer as active spiritual warfare?

## Going Deeper – Perseverance

Despite opposition, "the wall was finished." (v15). Nehemiah's perseverance came from vision and faith. Galatians 6:9 reminds us, "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." The writer of Hebrews urges us to fix our eyes on Jesus, who endured the cross for the joy ahead (Hebrews 12:1–3).

## **Questions:**

- Where is God calling you to keep going and not lose heart, even when it's hard?
- What helps you stay faithful to what God has placed in your hands?