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The Right Calling

Nehemiah 1:4-11

Summary – We struggle making decisions. We struggle to know the wise right path. We struggle knowing what mission God has called us to partner with Him in this broken world. Nehemiah demonstrates a profound yet practical way to guide us to our Right Calling.

Scripture – Nehemiah 1:4-11; Matthew 26:22; 1 Corinthians 1:20

Community Group Questions:

(There is no obligation to discuss every question/quotation)

Introduction

- Two questions we can ask ourselves when making decisions:
 - Does God want this done?
 - Am I the one for this?

Right Physical/Emotional Response (Neh 1:4)

- "Pay attention to when you have an involuntary physical response."
- "Emotions are a gift from God."
- What drives you to your knees in tears?

Right Spirit (Neh 1:4)

- "How we pray tells us what we believe about God."
- How do we make prayer a reflex instead of a last resort?

Prayer of Faith (Neh 1:5-11a)

- Eyes up (v. 5): How does focusing on God's power shrink our problems?
- <u>Heart soft (vs. 6-7):</u> How can we prepare ourselves to have a soft heart when conflict arises?
- Bible open (vs. 8-9; 2 Cor 1:20): "If we forget the promises of God, we lack power."
- Ask boldly (vs. 10-11): What keeps you from praying boldly?

Right Position (Neh 1:11b)

- Nehemiah was a cupbearer and used his position to petition the king. "What influence do you have to leverage for the Kingdom?"