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Generous Justice

Nehemiah 5:1-19

Nehemiah faces down the most difficult problem in his life: God's people behaving badly. He must have wondered what good is a rebuilt wall without a holy people? Nehemiah uses wisdom and his personal example to chart a new path for broken people to respond to the call to love your neighbor as yourself.

Scripture – Nehemiah 5:1-19; 1 Timothy 6:10

Community Group Questions:

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

Introduction

- "When God's people act, Satan reacts."

World History (Neh. 5:1-5)

- "You can do God's will and it can become dark."
- "Money's not the problem, it's the love of money."
- "You can either love money and use people to get more or love people and use money to bless them."

Anger, Counsel, Come to Jesus (Neh. 5:6-13)

- "There are acts of evil that should make us angry. If you're not angry, you're not paying attention."
- What does righteous anger look like?
- Nehemiah demanded the people "walk in the fear of our God." Does the fear of the Lord motivate you?

Radically Generous Lifestyle (Neh. 5:14-19)

- Your checkbook doesn't lie; whatever you believe is how you live and give.
- Where do you see broken down walls and where can you serve?
- Nehemiah was motivated by God's generosity. Does God's generosity motivate you?