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Nehemiah 11

Summary – Nehemiah takes a page out of the ancient Jerusalem phone book but this biblical text that could easily be skipped over, is full of rich timeless truths. We see God’s heart for: sacrifice, trusting people, for the unheralded landscapers, for people who both stay put and are sent out, and lastly for the richness of the diversity in the body.

Scripture – Nehemiah 11; Proverbs 16:33, 26, 22:29; 1 Corinthians 12, Romans 12, Ephesians 4:1-16; 2 Timothy 3:16

Community Group Questions:

Sacrifice (Nehemiah 11:1-6)

- The way of the world is, “Might is right,” but the way of the gospel is, “might does what is right.”
- Where are you sacrificing your strengths for others?

Trust (Nehemiah 11:1b; Proverbs 16:33)

- If we trust God, why do we often resist what He has told us to do?
- “In America, we have made idols of safety and comfort.”

Landscapers (Nehemiah 11:15-16; Proverbs 16:26,22:29)

- “When you do what you were designed to do, it’s joy squared. It brings you and others joy.”
- “Work is not part of the curse, work is part of redemption.”
- How is work related to your joy?

Diversity (Nehemiah 11:1)

- How can the diverse gifts in the body of Christ be a strength?
- “Church is halftime, not the game. The game is played where God has called you.”

In/Out; Stay/Go (Nehemiah 11:1)

- When has God asked you to stay/go?