

NEHEMIAH

RESPONDING TO A CALL

Nehemiah 2:1-8
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Read Nehemiah 2:1-8 (Groups: read it twice with different readers)

What have we learned about Nehemiah so far? What can you assume about his personality, character, heart, and skill set? Why do you think God chose him for this task?

Have you ever identified a need and prayed for it to be met? How did God answer that prayer? Did he call you to some type of action?

Have you ever felt called by God to something that seemed overwhelming? How did you respond? What were some of your first steps?

Where do you see the sovereignty of God on display in 2:1-8? Read Ezra 8:21-23. Ezra and Nehemiah take different approaches in their willingness to speak boldly before the king, but God works for both men. How does each show faith in his context?

In chapter 1, we read a longer prayer from Nehemiah. In 2:4, we learn he prayed quickly. Why are both types of prayer important. What can you learn from the different ways Nehemiah prayed? How does a habit of prayer lead to an immediate reaction of prayer?

Read Proverbs 21:1. How does God look at human governors and governments? What can we learn from Nehemiah's example of trust in God as he works with government officials?