**Let’s Rebuild 6 - Nehemiah 6 – Leader Notes**

**HOOK**

**1. What’s your most tempting distraction? (i.e. Facebook, Netflix, Sports, Pinterest, etc.) How do you stay focused?**

**2. Have you ever felt afraid for your life? When?**

**LOOK at the BOOK**

**Secrets to Finishing Strong**

**1. Never Forget God’s calling and promises – your “why”**

**Read Neh. 1:5. What did Nehemiah perceive to be God’s call on his life?** (Rebuilding the wall around Jerusalem was the God honoring vision of Nehemiah)

**Q. For people trying to get in shape, how does a clear “why” give them the power to say “no” to the donuts and “yes” to the weekly workout?**

**Q. What people or obstacles are in you facing these days?**

**2. Know who you are, and who’s on your team.**

**Read Neh. 6:11. Why would it have been a sin for Nehemiah to go into the Temple?** (Only priests could go into the inner place, plus it would have been a cowardly act.)

**Q. How would you answer the question: who are you? How do we often confuse what we do with who we are?**

**3. Focus on building God’s Kingdom – your what.**

**Read Neh. 5:16 and 6:3. Repeat as a group: “I’m doing a great work, and a I can’t come down.”**

**Q. Do you have a clear sense of something God wants you to do for His glory?**

**Q. What’s one thing you could do this year that would make a significant difference in your life?**

**4. Keep praying while you work.**

Neh. 1:4 – **“For some days I mourned and fasted and prayed before the God of heaven.”**

Neh. 2:4 - **“Then I prayed to the God heaven, and I answered the king…”**

Neh. 4:6 **“But we prayed to our God and posted a guard day and night to meet this threat.”**

Neh. 5:19 **“Remember me with favor, O my God,”**

Neh. 6:9 **“But I prayed, “Now strengthen my hands.”**

**Q. How does the example of Nehemiah encourage you to both pray and work hard?**

**5. Give God the glory**

**Read Neh. 6:15. Nehemiah was careful to give God the glory when the wall was built.**

**Q. How could a wall that had lain in ruin for 140 years be built in 52 days?** (God was in it. There was a vision, a strategy, and a lot of hard work, but ultimately God gets the glory).

**TOOK**

**Q. What has God done recently that you’d like to give glory to God for?**

**Q. How can we support you in prayer and accountability for the great work you’re doing?**

**Remember to pray for the building project proposal.**

**Wisdom – Is this what God wants?**

**Unity – Pray that the building project proposal would unite us as a church, not divide us.**

**Provision – Pray that God would provide everything needed for what He calls us to do, and show each family their part.**