NEHE MIAH

Chapter 3 - 2/24/19

OVERVIEW

God is moving and we are all invited to be a part of it, each of us able to bring something uniquely designed by Him to use for the future of OUR church. We are owning the future together. But what does that even mean? You may be feeling hesitant; you need more details about this future, this ownership. What am I signing up to own? What responsibilities come with owning a future that we don't know yet. This week we further define what it could look like if we step into ownership together.

Scriptures: Ephesians 2:20-21 (NLT), I Corinthians 3:16 (NLT), Nehemiah 3:1-2,5,8-9,12,17,27-28 (ESV)

APPLICATION

1. Share about something in your life that you have taken ownership of (try to think outside the box of a property).

2. We have been talking about a shift from being spectators at Blue Ridge to being owners. What would need to happen in you to cause this shift to happen inside you? If it already has...what triggered this shift?

3. Most of Nehemiah 3 describes a similar scene to verse 17: "...next to him Hashabiah, ruler of half the district of Keilah, repaired for his district." The people who worked on the wall tended to work on a section that was closest to where they lived. Reflect on your life—what could possibly be a "section of the wall" that is near to where you live that might need repair or rebuilding?

4. This section of Nehemiah also shows that individual efforts are, basically, nonexistent. It takes a group of God-fearing people to rebuild the wall. Do you have a group of God-fearing people in your life that help you to follow Jesus? If so, what role do they play in your life? If not, why not?

5. Jeremy's video story demonstrated a life changed by God's grace and by the power of relationships. Jeremy was surrounded with people who loved him enough to show him how to follow Jesus. They had the hard conversations that pointed him to Jesus and took ownership in being a part of his walk. What would it take in your life to have similar relationships?

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