

NEWSLETTER

June 29th, 2025

THIS WEEK

- Tuesday 8:00 AM Community Prayer @ The Gathering Place
- Wednesday 6:00 PM Promised
 Land Small Group (Meal provided)
- Thursday
 - o 6:30 AM Men's Group @ Church
- Sunday June 29th Rebuilding with Purpose: Lessons from Nehemiah - Staying the Course (Neh 6-7)



Ministry/Service Opportunities

We're thrilled to share **current ministry openings** at Gateway Church Monroe—opportunities to use your time and talents to help spread God's love.

- Sunday Morning Coffee & Building Prep: Create a welcoming atmosphere for Sunday services.
- **Children's Church Worker:** Guide our kids in growing their faith through God's Word.
- **Weekly Lawn Maintenance:** Keep our church grounds beautiful and inviting.

Let's serve with joy! As *Galatians 5:13* reminds us, "You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love."

Your service reflects Christ's love and strengthens Gateway Church Monroe.

Ready to get involved? Contact Pastor Jon today!

GET CONNECTED



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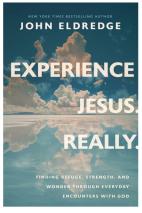
New Men's Group Series

Thursday's @ 6:30am

Experience Jesus. Really. Author: John Eldridge

We're launching a **new** series inspired by John Eldredge's upcoming book, *Experience Jesus. Really*.

This new series invites us to slow down, quiet the noise, and experience Jesus in the middle of everyday life—not just on Sundays.

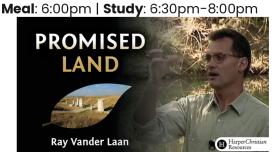


In a world filled with hurry and distraction, we'll learn to walk closely with Him, hear His voice, and find rest, refuge, and renewed faith in His presence.

Come join us as we return to the One our hearts were made for—and experience Jesus. Really.

Promised Land Study

When: Weekly on Wednesdays



Promised Land - Session 2: Wet Feet

This past Wednesday, we explored what it took for the Israelites to cross the Jordan River..

The water didn't part first. They had to step in with faith—feet wet, hearts trusting—before the miracle came.

Ray Vander Laan **challenged us** to see how **God moves when we move**, and how trust often comes before clarity.

We also looked at how this moment connects to Jesus' baptism in the Jordan—where He, too, stepped into the water as the start of something new

Obedience, trust, and surrender are what open the door to God's promises.

<u> F Join us this Wednesday for Session 3</u>

We'll continue walking the land and **learning** how to **live boldly for God—even when the culture around us pulls the other way!**

Message Notes

Rebuilding With Purpose Nehemiah 5

Summary: Sometimes the **biggest battles** aren't from the outside—**they're from within**.

In Nehemiah 5, the work on the wall is still happening, but a different kind of opposition shows up: **injustice and greed among God's own people.** The wealthy are taking advantage of the poor, and it threatens to unravel everything.

Nehemiah doesn't stay silent. He calls it out, calls them back to God's ways, and sets the example by living with integrity and sacrifice.

You're building something too—your family, your character, your legacy. And when conflict hits close to home, it's your response that shows who you really follow.

Discussion: Nehemiah 5 provides a powerful example of leading with integrity, emphasizing justice, servant leadership, and ethical conduct.

Smash Injustice with Bold Faith

Serve Selflessly, Ditching Personal Gain

Lift Up the Broken with Fierce Compassion

Lead Transparently, Locking in Accountability

Give Generously, Fueling God's Mission

Chase God's Heart with Unshakable Devotion

- 1. Confront Injustice Boldly: Spot unfairness—maybe a coworker overlooked, a classmate bullied, or a system hurting the vulnerable. Speak up, pray up, and act with courage, trusting God to guide you.
- 2. Give Generously Like Nehemiah: Share your resources—donate to a local ministry helping the poor, buy a meal for someone struggling, or give your time to a neighbor. Let your generosity shout God's love.
- **3. Empower Someone Today:** Find one person —a child, a colleague, a stranger—and lift them up. Mentor them, encourage them, or advocate for their needs, showing Christ's compassion.
- **4. Surrender to God's Heart**: Start each day praying, "Lord, make me a leader who reflects Your justice." Let His Spirit burn away selfish motives and fill you with holy passion.