



## Nehemiah 1:1-2:8

### Leadership Lessons from Nehemiah's Notebook

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- I. Good leaders are \_\_\_\_\_.  
(Nehemiah 1:1-2; Daniel 8:2; I Chronicles 12:32; Ecclesiastes 7:25; Proverbs 18:15).
- II. Good leaders are \_\_\_\_\_ about the Lord's work.  
(Nehemiah 1:4; Romans 12:11)
- III. Good leaders are \_\_\_\_\_ .  
(Nehemiah 1:5-11; Hebrews 4:16; Psalm 32:5; I John 1:9).
- IV. Good leaders are \_\_\_\_\_ to wait for God's timing.  
(Nehemiah 2:1)
- V. Good leaders \_\_\_\_\_ when they present themselves.  
(Nehemiah 2:1-3)
- VI. Good leaders \_\_\_\_\_ .  
(Nehemiah. 2:3-8)

#### **Additional Notes:**



## Diving Deeper in Scripture Together

### Questions for Discussion & Reflection

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1. How does Scripture teach that true leadership begins not with self-made ambition or clever strategy, but with a Spirit-shaped discernment?  
(I Chronicles 12:32; Ecclesiastes 7:25)
2. What disciplines or postures can help you stay attentive to *what God is doing now* rather than chasing *what you wish He were doing*?
3. Nehemiah's curiosity led to calling. In what area of your life might God be stirring your curiosity right now to awaken a sense of purpose?
4. Nehemiah mourned, fasted, and prayed hearing about the afflictions of the Lord's work. What distractions most often dull your passion for God's kingdom, and how can you practically realign your heart toward His priorities?
5. Romans 12:11 calls us to "never be lacking in zeal." What does spiritual zeal look like in your daily rhythm - not just on Sundays?
6. Nehemiah's instinct after hearing hard news was to pray. What is usually your first reaction when you face something heavy - action, worry, or prayer?
7. If someone listened in on your private prayers, what might they learn about what you truly believe about God?
8. Why do you think confession - both personal and corporate - was such a vital part of Nehemiah's prayer? How does that challenge your own practice?
9. What is an area in your life where you have been asking God to "bless your plan" instead of seeking *His* plan?

10. How can you grow in praying Scripture-based prayers, as Nehemiah did when he reminded God of His promises?
11. Nehemiah waited four months before God opened the door. What's the hardest part about waiting for you - trusting God's timing or staying faithful while you wait?
12. How can patience actually be an act of leadership and not just passivity?
13. Nehemiah had thought through every detail before he ever got permission. How can you balance *faith in God's provision* with *wisdom in planning* in your current responsibilities or ministry?