

HOLY AMBITION

A Study of Nehemiah

OPEN

How do you handle conflict? Share a story about a time when you didn't get along with a friend, co-worker, or family member.

REFLECT

Read Nehemiah 5.

What stood out to you from this sermon? How did this sermon deepen your faith? How did this message challenge you?

Gary talked about there are times when the church faces external conflict, but also how the church often faces *internal* conflict. How have you seen division and conflict within the church?

What does Nehemiah teach you about conflict? From what you know about the life of Jesus, what does He teach you about resolving conflict?

How have you personally experienced conflict with other Christians?

What is the difference between healthy and unhealthy conflict? What keeps you, personally from embracing healthy conflict?

In what ways do you think being in conflict with others affects your relationship with God?

What role do you think healthy conflict plays in helping to disciple others? Share about a time when you had to embrace conflict in the context of a discipleship relationship.

APPLY

What are ways that your group can practice healthy conflict with one another in order to help each other grow more and more into the image of Jesus?

Where are there areas/relationships in your life where you were the main cause of the conflict that you may need to reconcile? How can your LifeGroup help you pursue restoration?

PRAY

This week, spend time in prayer for the areas of conflict that those in your group may be experiencing.

NEXT STEPS

God wants His people to view the world through eyes of faith and to have a holy ambition to see that vision become reality. This 9-week sermon series on the book of Nehemiah will help us to discover the eternally-significant things God wants to accomplish through our lives, and help us become the sort of people who have the courage and conviction to make a difference for the glory of God.

1. Check out your **Spiritual Gifts!** Every person has been gifted by God with talents and abilities that are useful to Kingdom work. Do you know what yours are? Check out [THIS](#) Spiritual Gifts Assessment to find out.
2. Find out where you can **Serve!** There are needs all around us. The Creek partners with several organizations that you and your group can partner with. You can find more information about them by visiting thecreek.org.