

CTK Community Group Sermon Discussion Questions & Announcements

Week of 11/13/22

DISCUSSION: [Nehemiah 11:1-5, 20-21; 12:22-32, 35-36, 38, 40, 43-47](#)

(Discuss the question cluster below - as much or as little as works for your group)

\*Feel free to break off into smaller groups if it helps you share more personally\*

*We're near the end of our sermon series in the book of Nehemiah called, "A Time to Rebuild." Through it, we're focusing on the ways we, as individuals and as a church, can rebuild after the past 2+ years of transition and challenges. And we'll do so in confidence that God will be the one rebuilding us as we go.*

- I. This week, our passage continued our look at how God is starting to rebuild not just the walls, but his people. We looked at how the people were being put back together: 1) Through risk; 2) Through Roles; and 3) Through Being Resurrected. The sermon helped us understand how risk is an on-going part of the Christian life, how we all have a part to play in knowing God and making him known in our city and how bringing Jerusalem back to life revealed God's heart for the world. Let's discuss how these things impact our lives.*
  
- A. What connected with you from the sermon or from the passage?*
- B. How did it strike to hear that risk is something we should expect even after we finish rebuilding our lives or our church? Did it make you feel tired? Scared? Frustrated?*
  - 1. How might you need God's help to catch hold of the vision (like the people of Jerusalem did) that moves you beyond concern for yourself toward concern that others would know the grace of God?*
- C. What are some gifts or strengths you have?*
  - 1. What might God be calling you to do with those at CTK to both help you know him better and help others know him too?*
  - 2. What risks might you need to take to start using your gifts or strengths (or using them more) here?*
- D. It's easy to think about our strengths, but what weaknesses or brokenness might God be inviting you to share (wisely) with our community in order to help others know God's kingdom is for broken people too?*
  - 1. What idols of control or appearance and acceptance might God be calling you to let go of through that?*
- E. How can you cling to Jesus loving you enough to die for you to help you have courage to both use your strengths and weaknesses here at CTK?*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- If you are currently without a place to share the Thanksgiving meal this year, please email [laura@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:laura@ctkcambridge.org) to connect you with someone who would love for you to join them.
- CTK's music ministry is putting together selections for our tenth annual Christmas Concert, and we are looking for new participants! The event will take place the evening of Saturday, December 10. Please contact [amanda@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:amanda@ctkcambridge.org) to learn more.