

Grace Group Notes

To be used in your Grace Group this week...

The Message theme this week:

Opposition to the Cause

Nehemiah 4

Week of March 4, 2018

Welcome

Let's get to know each other. You can use this question during your meal together.

1. *"Sticks and stones may break my bones, but names will never hurt me" -How did that childhood taunt affect you? What teasing and name-calling did get to you?

Worship

Let's enter the presence of God together.

Songs led by worship leader or worship resource. Or read Psalm 150. Someone has said that "praise" is simply pointing heavenward and saying "I like this about you God". Fill in the blank; "God, I like that you are _____"

Word

Let's interact with God's Word.

Read Nehemiah chapter 4.

2. Why do you think Sanballat was so opposed to Nehemiah's efforts? What weapons does he use against Nehemiah and his team? How effective were their taunts in slowing down the building project?
3. To whom does Nehemiah turn in the face of opposition (v. 4)? What does he say/pray that surprises you? What effect does his prayer have on his own people?
4. When have you or our church ever attempted something so big it was beyond human control, but within God's provision? Describe your big dream or vision.
5. Which do you tend to do "with all your heart": Work? Worry? Worship? Warfare? Why?

Witness

Let's focus on who we can reach out to.

6. Is there a neighbor or family that you know of that is in some sense in need that we as a group can reach out to?

*Questions adapted from Serendipity Bible, Zondervan Pub. House