



Life Group
Sermon Guide Questions
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**A PEOPLE RENEWED:
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Nehemiah 8

Read Nehemiah 8:1-12

- 1) In Nehemiah 8, the people ask Ezra to bring the Book of the Law. What does this reveal about their spiritual hunger after the wall had been rebuilt, and how might we cultivate that same hunger in our own lives, our children, and our community?
- 2) God gives His Law to His people for their good. How does it change the way we hear Scripture when we remember that God's Word is a gift and His commands are guidance?
- 3) The whole community gathers in the public square: men, women, and all who could understand. What does this show us about God's Word forming the whole people of God?
- 4) Verse 8 says the Levites "gave the sense" so that the people understood the reading. How might this ministry of explaining and applying God's Word extend into homes, friendships, small groups, and one-on-one discipleship?

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5) When the people understood the Law, they wept.

How can we distinguish between godly conviction that calls us home and discouragement that leaves us stuck?

6) Nehemiah says, “The joy of the LORD is your strength.” What does it mean to receive the Lord’s joy as a fortress, especially after seasons of mourning, repentance, or weariness?

7) The people were told to “send portions” to those who had nothing ready. Who around us needs a portion, a table, an encouragement, or a place to belong?

