

Home Group Questions Nehemiah 2 . 9-20.

Do read the passage.

- 1 v 18 *'I told them about the gracious hand of my God on me and what the king had said to me'*.
Is there someone who needs to learn of the gracious hand of God on you, and about what the King has said to you?
- 2 Are there challenges facing you or those you love at present? Encourage one another to press on, trusting in the unfailing presence of the Lord who knows, cares and loves all He has made.
- 3 Nehemiah had never visited Jerusalem before and it was a long and difficult journey of around 1,000 miles.
When have you been called to embrace the unknown? How have you approached the challenge?
- 4 Nehemiah clearly had a really healthy prayer life. When faced with the unfamiliar or painful, do you first go to the Lord and later, share with others? Or is it the other way round? Are there times you can recall when He's wanted you to share your concerns just with Him before acting - at His prompting?
- 5 Are you by nature impulsive or cautious? Heart led or head led? Do you sometimes feel you need to embrace a different approach in order to follow God's leading? Share examples of how the Lord has challenged you to embrace the different in yourself?
- 6 Nehemiah shared his vision for rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem with those he could trust (and not with those he could not..) As we thank God for our home groups and other Godly friends, are there initiatives where we need to act with one mind and a single purpose - even if this may be at some personal cost?
- 7 v. 20 *'The God of heaven will give us success'*. How confident are we of this? Encourage one another.
- 8 Are we willing to bring to the Lord our brokenness and trust in His redemptive love to transform us and use our pain and hurts for His glory? May we know His great faithfulness as we trust Him for all that He call us to.