



Ice Breaker

What's your favorite excuse to get out of something?

Read: Nehemiah 2:1-20, Proverbs 25:28 and 21:1, James 4:14

Discussion Questions:

- Opening Thought: Purpose
 - What's the general purpose of a follower of Jesus?
 - When considering your specific purpose, what regularly frustrates you that doesn't frustrate others as much?
 - When considering your specific purpose, what comes very naturally to you that usually doesn't for others?
 - Which of these three places (if any) are you in?
 - You have a job, but still haven't discovered your specific purpose.
 - You know your purpose, but you're afraid to leave what's comfortable.
 - You know your purpose, but you're waiting on God's timing to GO!
- God Gives Us a Burden (Nehemiah 2:1-5; James 4:14)
 - What burden did God give Nehemiah?
 - Is everyone's burdens the same? What burden has God given you?
 - Four months had passed from Nehemiah chapter 1 to chapter 2. In a season of waiting, why is it important to wait well? How can you wait well?
 - How does James 4:14 shape your perspective on the purpose God has given you?
- God Gives Us a Vision (Nehemiah 2:6-16; Proverbs 25:28 and 21:1)
 - Does the vision you have in your life come from you or has it come from God? Why is it important for the vision to come from God?
 - What vision did God give Nehemiah?
 - What can you learn from Proverbs 25:28?
 - What can you learn from Proverbs 21:1?
- God Gives Us Endurance (Nehemiah 2:17-20)
 - How do you put on the full armor of God daily? Why is this important?
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- Closing Thought: Don't Bother Rebuilding if God's Not the Architect
 - What's the faith step you need to take to get to where God wants you to get to bless the people that He's called you to?
 - What will you apply in your life based on what you learned this week?

