

**Sunday, September 5, 2021**

“LEANING FORWARD”- Avoiding the pitfalls of starting over. This short series will look at the ministries of Ezra and Nehemiah and how they and others tried to rebuild Jerusalem after being in exile for 70 years. The successes, and failures they encountered, and what we can learn.



**“Rebuilding My Relationships”  
Nehemiah 9:1-38**

How well do you handle arguments in your relationships? Who is usually the first one to act to heal when something happens?

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God send Nehemiah for this next step in rebuilding Israel. Read Nehemiah 9:1,2. When was the last time you confessed sin before God? What did that confession time look like for you? How was your heart? Your attitude?

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Nehemiah outlines 7 steps in rebuilding a relationship with God

Step 1 was changing their \_\_\_\_\_ (Nehemiah 9:1)

What attitude do I need to change? \_\_\_\_\_

What choice is God calling me to make? \_\_\_\_\_

Step 3 is confession of sin (Nehemiah 9:2)

What sin do I need to confess before God? \_\_\_\_\_

Step 4 is a focus on \_\_\_\_\_. (Nehemiah 9:3)

What truth from scripture do I need to a reminder?

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Step 5 is \_\_\_\_\_ of God (Nehemiah 9:5)

What aspect of God’s character, nature can I celebrate today?

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Step 6 is remembering God’s \_\_\_\_\_ to me (Nehemiah 9:7)

How has God been faithful to you?

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Step 7 is being open and \_\_\_\_\_ (Nehemiah 9:37)

What need in my life am I keeping from God?

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Read Hebrews 4:15,16. How does this verse give me confidence in my relationship with God?

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THIS FALL:

Am I ready to start over in my relationship with God? \_\_\_\_\_

What will I do about my relationship with Him?

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