

Home Group Discussion Guide

It Continues with Providence – Nehemiah 2

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The following questions are designed to help groups explore the message above by challenging participants to consider how God is wanting them to apply it to their lives.

The questions are a **guide** to help lead discussion.

Please don't feel that all questions need to be asked, instead respond to the needs of your group. If you have new people in your group, take the opportunity to introduce each other and clarify any expectations that are present in your group (such as confidentiality).

GETTING STARTED

1. Can you think of a time when you experienced God's providence?
Providence refers to God's provision or protection in a situation.
2. What was the main challenge or idea that stood out to you from the message on Sunday?

REFLECTING ON THE MESSAGE

Key Scripture: Nehemiah 2:1-9

(Read Nehemiah 2:1-3)

1. There was more than 100 days between the end of chapter 1 and the beginning of chapter 2. What was Nehemiah waiting for?
2. When Nehemiah saw the opportunity with the King, how did he respond?
 - a. What examples are there for us to follow?
3. What are some examples of the opportunities God provides?
It might be a person, an opening, a resource...
 - a. Do you find these easy to see in the moment, why/ why not?

(Read Nehemiah 2:4-9)

4. What can we learn from Nehemiah's boldness in his requests to the king?
5. Twice in verse 1-9 Nehemiah takes the time to acknowledge God's role in the situation. Is this something that comes naturally for you? Why/ Why not?

RESPONDING TO THE MESSAGE

1. Is there an opportunity that God is providing for you at the moment?
 - a. What would it look like to take hold of that opportunity?
 - b. Do you need boldness in that space?
2. Is there a need for you to acknowledge God's goodness and providence that you haven't done so yet?

OPPORTUNITY FOR PRAYER

Our Home Groups are the primary place for pastoral care to occur within the Church. We would encourage you to take the opportunity to pray for each other in this space.

