

 $A\ Bridge\ Connecting\ Lives\ to\ God$ 

Through: **E**ncountering Christ **M**aking Disciples

**S**trengthening Families

Sunday, February 7th

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Nehemiah 1:1-7; 4:10-23; 8:10

"Life's Greatest Skill - How Life Works Best"

This series has been loaded with life lessons!! We will miss Nehemiah
Today, we try to capture valuable life skills from the entire book
1: Nehemiah 1:1-7 What does it really look like?
Is it self-deprecation? Low self esteem? Self- blaming?
a. Humility recognizes (ongoing) need
b. Humility sees overwhelming obligation
c. Humility is a constant student of growth
2. Get off of your ISL and Reach Out for Partnership Chap1,2 and 3
The most important achievements in life are not usually solos
St. Paul was all about teamwork with the Body Life concept
Figure out how you best fit and do your part
3. Identify and Deal with Business in your life. 4:10-12
a. The Rubble(verse 10)
b. Outside Obstacles(verse 11)
c. Inside Negativity, Fear and Criticism( verse 12)
4. Challenge the and Embrace the Opportunities. 4:13-23
a. Use God-given creativity and make a plan
b. Choose to Live by (Faith), rather than Fear
c. Three things you do with opportunities:
1. Capture them as they come
2. Cultivate maximize them when you have them
3. Create them when there is none
5. Periodic helps us the Finish Well – Chapter 8
Ever hear of a revival being launched by reading the Bible?
Ezra opened the BookChapter 8:5-9
A classic statement: "The Joy of the Lord is your strength" 8:10

Life Application: Identify, prioritize and get to work on two or three of the five.

A Recipe for Revival: They Stood, Read, Confessed and Worshipped