

## **Ordinary World Changers**

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Talking through the message during the week helps you turn what God is saying to you into action steps. These talking points, questions and scriptures are designed to help you take the next step.

• Who is someone you feel is a great example of a worldchanger? What is it about this person that inspires you?

With your Bible or YouVersion, read Nehemiah 1:1-11. In this passage, Nehemiah is heartbroken by the fact that the wall and gates of Jerusalem were destroyed.

- What breaks your heart and stirs righteous anger within you?
- How has your burden impacted you emotionally and spiritually?
- In what ways have you seen God use you and those around you to impact others in a positive way?
- What keeps you from taking action on your burden? What do you need to do to remove these barriers?

## Read Nehemiah 2:1-10.

Nehemiah decides to act on his burden by committing to rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem.

- What challenges are you facing that you need to take to God in prayer in the way Nehemiah did with his burden?
- How is God stirring you to take action on your burden? What's your next step?
- Who are some people you'll need with you to change the world?
- What impact on others do you think you could make if you decided to address your burden and take action?

Here are some specific things you can do this week that will help you recognize your burden and take action towards changing your world.

Nehemiah is the perfect example of how an ordinary person changed his world by doing something extraordinary—rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem in just 52 days. During this series, read through the Book of Nehemiah and learn directly from the Bible how you can become a worldchanger. This week read Nehemiah Chapters 1, 2, and 3 and allow God to speak to you as you read.

## My Next Step Today Is To . . .

- Come to God now, just as I am so that I may know God's forgiveness and may discover what he has for me to do.
- Ask God to break my heart for something that breaks His heart.
- Join Pastor Chris in praying and fasting for God to work through our church during the month of March.
- Meditate on and/or memorize Nehemiah 1:6a
  - Let your ear be attentive and your eyes open to hear the prayer your servant is praying before you day and night for \_\_\_\_\_\_.

## Talk It Over with God:

These prayer tips can guide your time alone with God each day. Praying with a friend or a small group might help you stick to it.

- Ask God to break your heart for what breaks His heart.
- Tell God what is keeping you from taking action on your burden. Ask Him to remove these barriers.
- Ask God to show you the steps you need to take in addressing your burden.
- Ask God to help guide you as you take your next steps towards doing something to change the world.
- Ask God to send the right people into your life that will help you address your burden.