

The Leader in You

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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.

How well do you typically follow through on your plans?
 What helps you accomplish your goals?

With your Bible or YouVersion, read Nehemiah 2:1-20.

In this passage, Nehemiah becomes a "change your world leader" by clearly defining his mission of rebuilding the walls of Jerusalem, carefully making his plans, and inspiring others to assist him.

- Why do so many of us have such a hard time seeing ourselves as world-changing leaders?
- How do you typically respond when you are passionate about something?
- What is God leading you to do? Define your mission as clearly as you can.
- What do you think made Nehemiah such a great leader?
 How can you apply these qualities in becoming a "change your world leader"?
- What do the words destiny and purpose mean to you?
- Nehemiah overcame his fears to carry out his mission.
 What fears are keeping you from carrying out yours?
- Why do you think Nehemiah was so confident that God would grant him success in his mission? How confident are you that you will succeed?
- How will you inspire others to help you carry out your mission?

Here is something you can do this week that will help you define your mission and take your next steps.

• Nehemiah became the perfect example of how an ordinary person changed his world when he rebuilt the walls of Jerusalem in just 52 days. During this series, read through the Book of Nehemiah and learn directly from God's Word how you can become a world-changer. This week, read Nehemiah 4, 5, and 6 and allow God to speak to you as you read His Word.

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.

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 what He wants you to do and to show you the mission that He has designed just for you.
- Share with God the things you are passionate about.
 Ask God to show you how you can make a difference in those areas.
- Tell God those fears that are holding you back from carrying out your mission. Ask Him to remove all these fears.
- Ask God to guide you as you carefully make plans to carry out your mission.
- Ask God to equip you with the right people to help you make a difference in your world. Ask God for the strength to inspire them.