

LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS

WEEK OF APRIL 23 ,2017

Sermon Series: The God Who Builds: Book of Nehemiah

Current Message: *Repentance: An Event or Lifestyle?*

Nehemiah 9

Icebreaker: What is the craziest thing you have had to apologize for?

1. REVIEW THE SERMON

Read Nehemiah 9. What are some things in this chapter that cause the people of Judah to confess and repent of their sin of rebellion against God?

As you read this chapter what would you say the people of Judah's perception of God?

2. ASSESS YOUR LIFE

Repentance literally means "to change one's mind". When we repent of our sin. We are changing how we view the sin we committed. We are seeing it as God sees it and confessing it and turning away from it. We can easily see repentance as a negative thing rather than a good and healthy thing. Do you see repentance as a negative experience or a good and healthy experience? Why? After you answer read 1 John 1:9 and share how it speaks to your answer.

3. APPLY THE TRUTH

We mentioned in the sermon that confession and repentance brings us back to see and say three things according to Nehemiah 9. 1) God is great and I will declare it (vv.3-6) 2) God is good and I will believe it. (vv.7-31) and 3) God is gracious and I will receive it. (vv.32-37) Sin has often been defined as "believing a lie." Which of the three phrases about God above do you struggle believing and therefore leads you to sin?

4. COMMIT THIS WEEK

What is one thing that you will commit to do as you pray for the power that comes from the Holy Spirit to make repentance a consistent part of your Christian walk?
