

Home Group Questions

Nehemiah 5:14-19

“Who we are is the most essential element to giving leadership to a vision”

Warm Up: Would you say your parents were more inconsistent/immoral in their parenting or consistent/moral? How has it affected your outlook and their influence on you?

Read Nehemiah 5:14-19 out loud to the group.

How long did he live a consistent, moral example before taking action? How did he distinguish himself from the former governors? Why did he do it? (See also V. 18)

In what way is ‘moral authority’ a by-product? How did Nehemiah use his moral authority? Can you share any examples where you see people trying to appear to have credibility in order to obtain some kind of business or following? How are they missing the main point of where it comes from?

In what ways are we gaining and using moral authority in our lives?

Why is it important to leading a single life? Or waiting to be married?

Why is it important in our marriages?

Why is it important in our parenting?

Where do you see it worked out in business?

How does it work in ministry, leadership, and motivating others?

Closing: Read this out loud:

“Every great leader, every successful father and mother, anybody who has ever received and followed through successfully with a God-given vision has possessed a form of authority that rests not in position or accomplishment, but on an inner conviction and the willingness to bring his or her life into alignment with that conviction... This dynamic is moral authority.” Visioneering pg. 179

Close with a simple prayer from each member of the group to grow in willingness and practice of bringing our lives into alignment with our convictions of the Holy Spirit.