BEYOND SUNDAY Built to Worship - 6.22.25

Faith That Rebuilds — Mark Tumney

Intro: This week's sermon challenged us to reflect on how God calls His people to rebuild not just walls, but hearts, faith, and community. Use the questions below to engage with Scripture, examine your life, and strengthen relationships in your group.

1. Waiting and Praying: Read Nehemiah 2:1–4

Nehemiah waited and prayed for months before speaking.

- O How do you usually handle seasons of waiting?
- O Have you ever seen God open a door after a long time of prayer?
- O Why do you think Nehemiah's short prayer in verse 4 mattered so much?

2. Asking Boldly: Read Nehemiah 2:5–8

Nehemiah asks boldly for help, protection, and provision.

- What keeps you from asking God (or others) boldly?
- O What would "faith-filled asking" look like in your life right now?

3. Expecting Opposition: Read Nehemiah 2:9–10

Sanballat and Tobiah are immediately disturbed by Nehemiah's presence.

- O Have you experienced pushback or criticism when you stepped out in faith?
- o How did you respond? What did you learn?

4. The Quiet Work: Read Nehemiah 2:11–16

Nehemiah walks the city quietly, before speaking to anyone.

- O Why do you think Nehemiah started in silence?
- O Are there areas in your life that feel broken or in ruins right now?
- What would it look like to let God walk with you through that place before trying to "fix" it?

5. Spiritual Inspection

Nehemiah didn't cast vision until he saw the damage for himself.

- Where is God asking you to slow down, reflect, and take an honest look at what needs rebuilding?
- O How can you make space this week to listen to God's leading in that?

6. Building Together: Read Nehemiah 2:17–18

"Come, let us rebuild..."

- **o** Why is rebuilding something God designed to happen in community?
- O Where do you need to stop going it alone and ask others in?

7. Pick Up Your Brick

In the sermon, we heard: "You don't have to be perfect. Just present. This is your section of the wall."

• What might your "brick" be?

O Where is God calling you to serve, lead, give, or show up?

8. Confidence in God, Not Approval: Read Nehemiah 2:19–20

Nehemiah doesn't defend himself—he declares God's promise.

• Where in your life do you need to stop proving yourself and start trusting God's provision and purpose?

9. What Part Will You Play?

Group Challenge:

- What's one step of rebuilding—spiritually, relationally, or communally—that you feel led to take this week?
- O How can this group support and pray for you as you take that step?

End your group with a moment of shared prayer. Pray for boldness, clarity, and unity as each person steps into their part of God's rebuilding work.