

BEYOND SUNDAY

Built to Worship — 7.13.25

Nehemiah 5 — Mark Tumney

WHAT'S ONE SMALL ACT OF GENEROSITY OR SERVICE THAT MADE A LASTING IMPRESSION ON YOU?

1. What's one small act of generosity or service that made a lasting impression on you?

SCRIPTURE & REFLECTION

2. Read Nehemiah 5:1–5. What do the people's complaints reveal about their sense of injustice and community?
 - How do you think they got to this point, even while "doing good" (building the wall)?
 - In what ways can churches today unintentionally carry over "Babylonian" habits?
3. Why was Nehemiah's anger in verse 6 considered righteous? What does healthy, godly anger look like in our lives today?
4. Nehemiah didn't just correct others—he set an example (vv. 14–19). Why is personal example so powerful in leadership and community?
 - Who's someone who has modeled faith and generosity for you?

APPLICATION TO COMMUNITY

- 5.** In the sermon, we said worship is not just vertical—it's also horizontal. What are some ways we might fail to worship well "horizontally"?
- 6.** What subtle ways do we sometimes connect with or serve others for our own benefit—rather than out of Christlike love?
 - How can we recognize and repent of that?
- 7.** Jesus, the greater Nehemiah, laid down His rights and welcomed all to His table. How might we practice that kind of hospitality or humility this week?
- 8.** What's one area where God might be calling you to live your worship more intentionally? (*Serving, giving, connecting, forgiving, etc.*)

PRAYER & COMMITMENT

- 9.** How can we pray for one another to grow as a worshiping community—not just on Sundays, but all week long? (*Consider closing with prayer in pairs or triplets.*)