

# RE- BUILDING THE KINGDOM



## Nehemiah 11-12 Everybody Engaged

### Discussion Questions

#### INTRODUCTION

God worked through the leadership of Ezra and Nehemiah to rebuild the wall and the temple, but we read in chapters 11 and 12 that the people are reluctant to go into the city. They have settled outside the city and have not rebuilt their homes. God's plan was for them to dwell in the city, in order to point to the true city of God that is to come. God challenges the people to engage joyfully in His mission to save a people for Himself from every tribe and tongue.

#### DISCUSSION & APPLICATION

##### Engaging means stepping out our our comfort zones (11:1-2)

Since Jesus stepped out of His comfort zone how does that affect the way you should feel and act about stepping out of your comfort zone?

##### Engaging means each of us using what God has given us (11:3-36)

How have you seen others who are a part of Harvest church use their time, talents, and treasures to engage in the mission of God? Celebrate and praise God for this!  
How is God calling you to engage?

##### Engaging means realizing our lives are about worship (12:1-26)

What holds you back from complete, unadulterated worship of God and commitment to His mission? When in your life has your agenda outweighed God's mission? Why does that happen? Repent and ask for His help to change your heart giving you joy in following him. Talk about one thing you can do to start changing your heart.

##### Engaging well requires that we do the heart work first (12:27-30)

What is lost if we only do the physical tangible things but never tend to our hearts?  
When was the last time you neglected your heart? What does it look like to work on your heart??

##### The Church engaging well multiplies true joy to the ends of the earth (12:31-47)

How does focusing on God and His mission to create a city and a people for Himself bring true joy to your life today? Do you have a specific example or story to share of how God has been working His joy in your heart?

#### Prayer

Pray that God would challenge each of you to faithfully engage in His mission and that He would expand your capacity to receive and live in His joy!