

Leadership Lessons from Nehemiah

Nehemiah 5 – Kevin Krosley

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Kevin spoke about five ways to evaluate leaders:

- Leaders are best when we are most like Christ
- Leaders are best when we see, hear, and care for all of the people
- Leaders are best when we lead in the context of eternity
- Leaders are best when we sacrifice the pursuit of personal privilege
- Leaders are best when we lead for an audience of one

- 1) We all have people that we can influence. In what roles (work, home, church) do you have people in your 'sphere of influence?' In other words, who are you leading or who do you have the potential to lead?
- 2) Nehemiah provided a hearing for the 'least of these,' adding them to his sphere of influence. Who are the people that are just outside your sphere of influence that you might need to listen to and care for? Where are the boundaries in who we can actively care for?
- 3) How does seeing people in "the context of eternity" change the way we lead?
- 4) When have you faced a choice between pursuing personal privilege and pursuing the interests of those you lead (your team, your kids, your church, your neighborhood)?
- 5) How significant is external praise and the blessings of men in your life, how intentionally are you leading for God's blessings alone?
- 6) God's mercy and grace and the presence of the Holy Spirit are essential to leading well (and living well). How have you experienced these in your leadership? Where have you seen them in the leaders you've known?