Text: Nehemiah 1-2

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Pray, Investigate, Get Involved

I. Saw the needs of people:

II. Start where you are:

III. Seize the Moment:

<u>Application Questions</u> - These questions are provided for your further study and application of the subject of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out answers to these questions will help drive home the point. They are designed to be discussed in your home, with other believers, and in a Life Group, for even more benefit.

Read Nehemiah 1 & 2

- 1. What would be the spiritual equivalent in our community today of being in great distress and reproach (Neh 1:3)?
- 2. What hinders us from responding to the distress and reproach of people as Nehemiah did (Neh 1:4)?
- 3. What was Nehemiah's initial response to the burden God gave him (Neh 1:1-4)? What do you tend to do first when God puts a burden on your heart?
- 4. Do you see a pattern of prayer? What are some of the part's of his prayer? Discuss these... Do you use a pattern when you pray?
- 5. Notice that Nehemiah had never been sad in the presence of Artaxerxes (Neh 2:2). How can our demeanor affect the way people respond to us? How could our demeanor affect the way God responds to us?
- 6. Nehemiah had a specific plan in mind to present to the king (Neh 2:5-6). How important is it to think things through as you are awaiting an open door (Pro 21:5)? What types of things are you doing to prepare for open doors?