**Messages Series: Building the Kingdom Together**

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**Lord We Need A Revival**

Nehemiah 8:1-18

**Key Truth:** The **hope** for any nation or people is Jesus Christ.

**Where Do We Go From Here:**

1. We must **raise** the **standard** for Godly leadership in

 the church and culture. Nehemiah 7:1-3, 8:1-

2. Return to the Word of God as our **authority** for life.

3. Return to a sincere **reverence** for God.

4. Return to **biblical discipleship** – pointing people to

 the centrality of the cross, the power of the

 Holy Spirit and obedience to the teachings of

 Jesus Christ.

5. A time of **repentance** is needed but **rejoicing** must

 follow.

6. A return to biblical **manhood** in the home.

 A. We must lead our families in the worship of God.

 Psalm 128 is our model:

 1. **Personal** character

 2. **Family** Character

 3. **Community** Character

**Conclusion:** If we want to see change in our world it must begin with a revival in the church.

**Connection Group Study Questions**

**Quick Review:** Looking back at your notes from this week’s teaching, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged or confused you?

1. Read Nehemiah 8:9-11: What happens when the people truly understand God’s Word? Why do they respond in this way?

2. Read 2 Corinthians 7:10-11. Based on this passage, what evidence do we find in Nehemiah 8-9 that genuine repentance is occurring?

3. Look up Leviticus 23:23-43 and note what the Feast of Booths was intended to help the Israelites remember. Having just completed the building of the wall, how would living in an impermanent structure for a week remind the people of God’s faithfulness?

4. Read Matthew 15:1-9: What was Jesus rebuking the people for doing? How must we be careful not to fall into the same sin?

5. Think back through your own history with God. What key times can you point to as evidence of His goodness? In light of His past faithfulness, what present difficulty can you entrust to Him?

6. Read 2 Chronicles 7:11-18. What key things did God require of the people Israel in order for healing to place in the land? With recent events in our own Nation what principles can we learn from this passage?