

REBUILD: CAPTURED BY THE GLORY OF GOD

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- Open in prayer.
- How do you become captured by God's glory?
 - We don't need to chase the latest fad—whether working out, the latest diet, or the newest Christian quick fix. Living out Matthew 22:37-39 is the answer to being captured by God's glory. "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: Love your neighbor as your self."
- The life you want is actually interwoven into God's glory.
 - Read Nehemiah 1:1-11.
- Let God move you deeper into His-story.
 - Read Nehemiah 1:1-2.
 - Nehemiah was truly moved and concerned for his people even though his "world" was great. He was a man whom others trusted and was known for his integrity. He lived in the palace, ate the king's food, and drank his wine.
 - How does Nehemiah's passion challenge us today?
 - What happens if our main concern is centered on our own family's needs and protection?
 - If we're called to be the heart, hands, and feet of Jesus, how does that change the way we see others?
- Let what breaks God's heart break your heart.
 - Read Nehemiah 1:3-4.
 - When he heard of the great trouble and disgrace of his people, Nehemiah sat down and wept. Our hearts need to reflect the same pain and hurt as God's heart.
 - Pastor Derwin shared some statistics that break God's heart:
 - 94% of churches in the US are not growing. (More divorce, addictions, pain etc.)
 - Less than 14% of the churches in the US are multi-ethnic.
 - Over 4000 West Africans have died from Ebola; fear has now hit the US due to 1 death.
 - How do these statistics affect you?
 - If your heart isn't broken in the same way as God's heart, what needs to happen to change this?
- Pray recognizing that God will keep His covenant.
 - Read Nehemiah 1:5.
 - Nehemiah had a very high and lofty view of God.
 - The first value of TC states: We are committed, through the Spirit's enabling power, to teach a high and lofty view of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. All our actions, teaching, prayer, mission, and spiritual transformation will be driven by our view of God.
 - God made a covenant with Abraham in the book of Genesis.
 - Read Titus 2:11-14.
 - This is the New Testament version of God's covenant with us today. We are trophies of God's Grace. What great things has God done in your life?
 - What's happened in your life that can only be explained by God's goodness?
- Pray repentantly.
 - Read Nehemiah 1:6-9.
 - Recognize two key points:
 - Sin is against God. The goal of prayer is honoring God's name.
 - Nehemiah's prayer is raw, and one of desperation.
 - When was the last time you prayed a prayer of confession of your sin and the sin of your family?
 - Think: In my heart, is there anything I need to repent before God?
 - Remember the goal of repentant prayer is for the name of God to be honored.

- Pray expectantly.
 - o Read Nehemiah 1:10-11.
 - o Nehemiah could pray with confidence since he had seen God previously answer prayer.
 - o Prayer comes down to trusting God.
 - Do you truly trust God with every area of your life?
 - Do your prayers and your walk reflect your trust in God?
 - o Pastor Derwin asked 3 questions in closing.
 - o Close with answering these three questions, and then close in prayer.
 - What great things do you want Jesus to do in your life?
 - If God was to answer this prayer, would only your life and your family's lives get better?
 - What great things do you want God to do through our new TC building, and by extension, our church?
- **Soul-tattoo:** Become a builder of the TC vision.
On Wednesday, fast and pray for God to use our new building and to build our lives for His glory.

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