

Answering the Call

Part 1: Humility (Nehemiah 2:1-8)

Launch

When you were in High School, which group were you a part of (jocks, nerds, greasers, snobs, stoners, preppies, etc.)?

Explore

Read the passage

Why was Nehemiah “very much afraid”? What was he afraid of?

What were Nehemiah’s acts of leadership in this passage?

What does this passage reveal about Nehemiah’s humility?

How did God honor Nehemiah’s obedient, humble attitude?

Apply

By nature, people like to be liked, we strive to be popular. What are some things that we do in order to enhance or protect our own image?

Nehemiah set aside his own reputation in order to obey God’s call. When have you faced this crossroads of popularity and humility? Describe.

Pray

(Read Philippians 2:5-9) Pray that, like Jesus, we would humble ourselves in obedience to God. Pray that we would be more concerned with pleasing God than pleasing people. Pray that we would lay aside our own reputation in order to stay true to the Lord’s purpose.