

# SERMON APPLICATION GUIDE

God Exalting Confession & Repentance | Nehemiah 9-10

## WORSHIP & WALK

### 1. REVIEW + UNDERSTAND

1. Seek to begin your time with worship. Perhaps you can do this by taking time as a group to recount God's faithfulness throughout our lives.
2. Pray and read Nehemiah 9-10 together.
3. Make a list together of God's attributes we learn from these chapters. Take a few minutes to pray together and simply praise God for being who He is.

### 2. ASSESS + APPLY

1. How would you explain to a new believer what it means to exalt God? What are practical ways we do this?
2. The greatest goal of confession and repentance is to exalt God. How do the Israelites in Nehemiah 9-10 model this for us? What are ways we can grow at exalting God in our confession and repentance?
3. In prayer have you ever recounted God's faithfulness throughout redemptive history? It is so powerful to not only thank Him for His faithfulness in our lives, but to thank Him for His faithfulness throughout all generations. *Remember and Rehearse* by J.T. English is a book that could help you learn to do this better. You can also prayerfully read through Nehemiah 9 and use it as a template.
4. In verse 31 we read God is a gracious and merciful God. Where in your life have you most recently been reminded of God's grace and mercy toward you?
5. Why is it important to contrast in tangible ways God's faithfulness versus our lack of faithfulness?
6. Are you more prone to get stuck in shame cycle, forgetting who God is the midst of your confession? Or, are you more likely to only zero in on God's grace and in doing so unintentionally attempt to take advantage of His grace as you neglect to address your sin?
7. Confession and repentance walk hand in hand. If we aren't really repenting, what does that tell us about our confession? Why must these go hand in hand?
8. In break out time, discuss in more detail what you are turning from and what specifically you are turning to. Is God calling anyone here to spend more time journaling out a prayer of what you are turning from and what you are turning to?

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Don't miss the SENT Conference at RBC! Registration closes December 14! Also, don't forget the assignment this week to read Nehemiah 11 - 12:26.

## PRAYERS + APPLICATIONS



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## LOOKING AHEAD

Read next week's passage and ask: What does it say? What does it mean? How should I respond?

### Nehemiah 12:27-47

#### WORK

How should this message affect how you serve one another?

#### WITNESS

How should this message affect how you share the Gospel?