



Icebreaker:

Have you ever witnessed someone being rescued?

Announcements:

Our upcoming Easter Eggstravaganza– Saturday, March 28th, from 12 to 3 PM. Please contact Bill Simpson if you would like to help with this important outreach.

Mark the date– **March 29th** is when we move into our new auditorium. The entire facility project is not finished but this is a huge step forward. At that time we will go back to **two services: 9:00 and 10:45**. Please for this transition and our opportunity to reach more people for Jesus.

Prayer Time:

Study Questions:

Have you ever worked a job that felt routine and ordinary? Have you ever worked a job that made you feel like you were making a contribution to the world? Explain? Read Nehemiah 1:11–2:4. What do you

remember about Nehemiah's job as a cupbearer? What was his mindset about his job? How did prayer and an active concern for God's people and work in the world radically impact how he viewed his job?

Discuss that statement– *God wants to use you in the context He has placed you in right now*. Why is this hard to see sometimes? What can get in the way? How can the past ruins of our lives make us feel defeated and in a perpetual state of mourning? How does our tendency to compare ourselves to others sometimes undermine how usable we are in God's hands?

What happens when we make ourselves available in our workplace and in our church to accomplish God's work and honor His name– see Acts 2:1–6; Ephesians 3:20–21; John 15:1–5?

How can a hyper focus on comfort keep us from being used by God? What do the following verses say about ease and comfort– Hebrews 11:24–27; Philippians 3:4–10? What is Nehemiah willing to give up? Why would he make such a sacrifice?

What can you do individually in your workplace or pool or relationships, and how can you use your position and leverage to reach out and steady someone who needs Jesus but is sinking? How can you use your influence to make the church stronger and more impactful so together we can reach out to those who are sinking around us?

Conversational Prayer: Dear God show me...