

GROWTH GROUP QUESTIONS WEEK OF JUN 13 2021

NEHEMIAH 13:10-14

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WHY WE GIVE

Take a little time to review this week's sermon. Using your sermon notes and your Bible, answer the following questions before the group meeting. Write out your answers so you'll feel more comfortable sharing them with the group. Have a great time!

I. Getting to Know You

How did you experience God working in your life this week? How can we pray for you?

II. Digging Deeper

1. Read 1 Corinthians 9:6-12. Summarize Paul's arguments for Christians fully supporting their ministers. Do think they are valid? What does Paul's statement in the second part of verse 12 reveal about a minister's heart?
2. Is it ok for a pastor to be bi-vocational (have a second job along with pastoring)? See 1 Corinthians 9:15 & 18.

3. Suggest some reasons why some Christians do not adequately support their ministry.
4. Do you agree with the idea that our giving is a reflection of our esteem for God (Nehemiah 13:11)?
5. What two qualities should characterize our giving according to 2 Corinthians 9:6-7?
6. How important is it to first give ourselves to God (2 Corinthians 8:5)?

III. Making it Personal

7. What does your giving reveal about your attitude towards God? (*Be honest with yourself. You don't have to share this answer publicly.*)
8. List some creative ways we can become more generous in our giving to the Lord.

IV. Prayer