14 March - Ron Aulbach

Nehemiah 8:1-12

LIFE

Building life giving relationships

CATCH UP: Spend 20-30 minutes catching up with each member of the group and sharing prayer requests. Make sure to spend a few minutes praying for each other.

YOUR STORY: (Pick 1 question from this section to start the discussion)

- 1. When was the first time you can remember opening the Bible? Can you remember your initial reaction to it?
- 2. Was there anyone who was instrumental in bringing you to church as a young child? Youth?
- 3. If you were locked up for a year (when would that ever happen haha), what would be the first thing you'd do when you were released? Where would you go? Why?

GOD Growing more like Jesus together

ENGAGE THE MESSAGE:

- 1. **Read** Nehemiah 8:1-12
- 2. We've all had hunger for food. Imagine if you had that same yearning for God's Word. How would your life be impacted by a hunger for God's Word like this?
- 3. They average person picks up their cell phone 2600 times a day. That's a lot of distraction. How easily do you get distracted? What is something you can do to focus more?
- 4. What practical ways could you elevate the Bible's role/priority in your life?
- 5. Do you think the Bible is still active and powerful in today's culture? Can the Word of God still make an impact in someone's life like it has in the past? Why? Why not?

OTHERS

Loving God and loving others

INVITE:

- Do you join with others to discuss Scripture? How can joining a small group of other believers help strengthen your faith? Who do you know that needs to join a group? Pray and invite them!
- How have you seen God's Word come alive through Bible studies with others?