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What's Next?

Intro: Decisions come in all shapes and sizes. Everyday we face decisions about what's next in our lives. Where do we go from here? When we don't make good choices, however, these seemingly small decisions can blossom into serious bad habits – like procrastination or an unhealthy lifestyle. I believe we can learn from Nehemiah on how to be ready for the next venture in our lives. How working for God's purpose can and will eventually work out for us!! Nehemiah gives us three important factors on making great decisions for our lives. Let's learn, listen, and live like Nehemiah.

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| I. <u>Be Prayerful</u>
<i>("I Prayed to the God of Heaven")</i> | Nehemiah 2:4-5 |
| ▪ What God says needs to matter to us | Psalms 145:18 |
| ▪ Nehemiah went to God before he made any decisions | Jeremiah 29:11 |
| ▪ We must seek God's counsel over our decision | Chronicles 16:11 |
| ▪ By reading and praying we will grow in knowledge | |
| ▪ Don't make decisions difficult by being double-minded | James 1:8 |
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| II. <u>Stay Focused</u> | Nehemiah 3:21 -24 |
| ▪ Nehemiah goes into great detail about each group working | Colossians 3:23 |
| ▪ God is not only concerned about what we do! But how we do it! | |
| ▪ Complete the task! Nehemiah never gave up, gave in or burned out! | Galatians 6:9 |
| ▪ Nehemiah never compares his assignment or work to anyone else. | Titus 2:7-8 |
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| III. <u>Trust God</u> | Nehemiah 6:3 |
| <i>("I am carrying on a great project and cannot come down")</i> | |
| ▪ From parenting, serving, working, and relationships - all are hard, without God's trust!! | Proverbs 3:5-6 |
| ▪ Nehemiah never came down; trust is absolute! | |
| ▪ You can't move to what's next, until you trust God for what's now! | Joshua 1:9 |
| ▪ Serve with your whole heart; God will help the process!! | 2 Samuel 7:28 |