

Series Quote: *The question of leadership is not if you are a leader, but what kind of leader you are.*

Sermon Premise: *Real leaders acknowledge the God factor.*

Recap of Part 1: Nehemiah on Leadership
A look at Biblical leadership

1. Leaders are concerned.
2. Leaders accept responsibility.
3. Leaders acknowledge the God factor.

Part 2: Nehemiah on Prayer
Breaking down the prayer that built up a nation

1. Real prayer is _____.

- Nehemiah was a _____ leader.

1 Peter 5:5b-7
All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble." ⁶Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time. ⁷Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.

What we believe about God will determine what we believe about ourselves and prayer.

- _____ is the mortal enemy to prayer.

2. Real prayer is _____.

James 5:16
Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective.

3. Real prayer always involves _____.

Luke 5:8
When Simon Peter saw this, he fell at Jesus' knees and said, "Go away from me, Lord; I am a sinful man!"

- Prayer has a balance of God's _____ and his "_____."

4. Real prayer involves _____.

- God doesn't want to work _____ of us or in _____ of us, but in _____ with us.
- Nehemiah said, "God I'm _____ and you're _____."

5. Real prayer is rooted in the _____ of God.

- Nehemiah realized his strongest position was on his _____.

Prayer is about going to God and then going for God.

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The Look of a Leader
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