

WEEK Jan 23 – 29

MAIN IDEA

God has designed us for purposeful work.

CHECK IN (HIGHS & LOWS) 15 min

A great, quick way to catch the highlights of what is happening in the lives of the people in your group is to take turns quickly sharing the "highs & lows" of your week. High: What was the highlight of your week? Low: What was the low point of your week?

SETTLE IN (ICE BREAKER) 10 min

1. What is the most meaningful work you've ever done?

DIG IN (UNDERSTANDING)

- 15 min
- 1. Read Genesis 2:15-18 & 3:17-19. Work is part of the primary design for both men and women, but our labor has also been cursed by sin. How do you sense God's pleasure in purposeful work? How do you see or feel the effects of sin in work today?
- 2. Read Nehemiah 3. (It's a long one!) What were some of the different jobs being done in the rebuilding of Jerusalem's walls?
- 3. What were some of the occupations of the people listed who helped in the rebuilding?
- 4. If you want a challenge, roughly how many names are on this list?

- 5. What are some similarities you see between this quest of rebuilding the wall and our quest as the church to help roll out the kingdom of heaven?
- 6. Read Ephesians 2:10. What have we been made for? What does this passage reveal about your design?
- 7. Read 1 Corinthians 12:4-12 & 27. The purposeful work of the Lord is a team sport. How have you seen the collection of people's gift come together in a beautiful way?
- 8. What gifts do you see in the people in your group?

GEAR UP (APPLICATION) 20 min

- 1. In this season what way are you doing work for the kingdom? If you sense there is space to take a step toward kingdom work, what might be an area you would be interested in serving?
- 2. If you are serving, how can you make sure to take continued joy in your labor for the Lord?

STEP UP (HOMEWORK) 5 min

- 1. One way to maintain joy in the midst of your kingdom work is to remember why you do it and who you do it for. Stay connected to God through your daily devotional and prayer rhythms this week
- 2. If you sense you want to serve in a new way in the body of Christ, now is a perfect time to do so! Check out opportunities at Summit at summitnv.org/volunteer or contact our Outreach Team to ask how you could serve as a group in our community.