

DMS507
Lay Pastoral Leadership
With Greg Rohlinger, lead pastor of Palm Valley Church

Session 1:
The Heart of a Pastor

P – Leads from _____

Neh. 1:4 When I heard this, I sat down and wept. In fact, for days I mourned, fasted, and prayed to the God of heaven.

Neh. 2:5 I replied, “If it please Your Majesty and if you are pleased with me, your servant, send me to Judah to rebuild the city where my ancestors are buried.”

V – Gathers with _____

Neh. 2:17-18a But now I said to them, “You know full well the tragedy of our city. It lies in ruins, and its gates are burned. Let us rebuild the wall of Jerusalem and rid ourselves of this disgrace!” 18 Then I told them about how the gracious hand of God had been on me, and about my conversation with the king.

Prov. 29:18 Where *there is* no vision, the people perish...

Neh. 2:18b They replied at once, “Good! Let’s rebuild the wall!” So they began the good work.

Neh. 2:20 But I replied, “The God of heaven will help us succeed. We his servants will start rebuilding this wall. But you have no stake or claim in Jerusalem.”

C – Lasts through _____

Neh. 5:12-13 Then they replied, “We will give back everything and demand nothing more from the people. We will do as you say.” Then I called the priests and made the nobles and officials formally vow to do what they had promised. 13 I shook out the fold of my robe and said, “If you fail to keep your promise, may God shake you from your homes and from your property!” The whole assembly responded, “Amen,” and they praised the LORD. And the people did as they had promised.

Neh. 5:15 ...But because of my fear of God, I did not act that way. 16 I devoted myself to working on the wall and refused to acquire any land. And I required all my officials to spend time working on the wall.

Neh. 8:5-6 “...When they saw him open the book, they all rose to their feet. 6 Then Ezra praised the LORD, the great God, and all the people chanted, “Amen! Amen!” as they lifted their hands toward heaven. Then they bowed down and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground

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Session 2: Casting a Vision that Inspires

“Where there is no vision, the people perish...” - Proverbs 29:18

1) _____ your vision

- Vision begins with a burden that something must be done
- Ask the right people the right questions to get the right answers
- Question: What problem are we solving?

2) _____ vision clearly & in a compelling manner

“But now I said to them, “You know very well what trouble we are in. Jerusalem lies in ruins, and its gates have been destroyed by fire. Let us rebuild the wall of Jerusalem and end this disgrace!” (18) Then I told them about how the gracious hand of God had been on me, and about my conversation with the king. They replied at once, “Yes, let’s rebuild the wall!” So they began the good work.” -

Nehemiah 2:17-18

- Use varying methods (written, spoken, symbols)
- Provide a personal benefit
- Call to specific action

Vision Provides...

- M_____
- D_____
- P_____

3) _____ the vision

- **Against vision** _____

"But I replied, 'The God of heaven will help us succeed. We his servants will start rebuilding this wall. But you have no stake or claim in Jerusalem.'" - Nehemiah 2:20

"But when Sanballat and Tobiah and the Arabs, Ammonites, and Ashdodites heard that the work was going ahead and that the gaps in the wall of Jerusalem were being repaired, they were furious." - Nehemiah 4:7

- **Against** _____

"...so I replied by sending this message to them: 'I am engaged in a great work, so I can't come. Why should I stop working to come and meet with you?'" - Nehemiah 6:3

"So on October 2 the wall was finished—just fifty-two days after we had begun.¹⁶ When our enemies and the surrounding nations heard about it, they were frightened and humiliated. They realized this work had been done with the help of our God." - Nehemiah 6:15-16

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Session 3: Leadership Multiplication: Effective Apprenticeship

1) Invite others into _____

"Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men." - Matthew 4:19

2) Share the _____

"From then on Jesus began to tell his disciples plainly that it was necessary for him to go to Jerusalem, and that he would suffer many terrible things at the hands of the elders, the leading priests, and the teachers of religious law. He would be killed, but on the third day he would be raised from the dead. (22) But Peter took him aside and began to reprimand him~~k~~ for saying such things. "Heaven forbid, Lord," he said. "This will never happen to you!" (23) Jesus turned to Peter and said, "Get away from me, Satan! You are a dangerous trap to me. You are seeing things merely from a human point of view, not from God's." (24) Then Jesus said to his disciples, "If any of you wants to be my follower, you must turn from your selfish ways, take up your cross, and follow me." Matthew 16:21-25

3) Share the _____

"And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it" Matthew 16:18