




## All Things New: Broken People | Broken Places

Nehemiah 1:1-11

Ray Cortese, February 16 & 17, 2019

### Step 1: Our All Things New Goals

Turn to pages 8-9 of your *All Things New* booklet. Have someone in the group read out loud the “3 Main Objectives” on page 8. Which objective do you think is most important? Have someone else read “What’s New?” on page 9. Which new thing gets you the most excited?

 Read the sermon scripture(s) listed above. What stands out to you? What do you find interesting and/or important? What is challenging or causes you to have questions?

### Step 2: The Sermon

#### INTRODUCTION

- 1 What is something in our culture that makes you say, “That’s not the way it’s supposed to be!”?
- 2 What was your one, big takeaway from the sermon? How would you summarize the main theme of the sermon in one phrase or sentence?

#### BROKEN PEOPLE | BROKEN PLACES: TO BE HEARTBROKEN

- 3 Nehemiah wept over the condition of the people of God. How is the church in America faring in our day? When was the last time the condition of the church made you weep? What needs to be made new in the church?

## BROKEN PEOPLE | BROKEN PLACES: TO WRESTLE

- 4 How did Nehemiah pray to God? Do you ever pray to God like Nehemiah?
- 5 What did Ray mean when he said, “The appeal of *All Things New* is ultimately not to you”?

## BROKEN PEOPLE | BROKEN PLACES: TO ENLIST

- 6 Why was it significant that Nehemiah was the cupbearer to the king?
- 7 Ray said, “Citrus County is filled with broken people and broken places, but God put you here for such a time as this.” Why do you think God brought you to Citrus County? Who are the broken people, and what are the broken places, in your life right now?
- 8 Ray said he would rather pour himself out, then get to the end and wish he had invested more. Is this how you feel? Why or why not?

## Step 3: Final Reflections

- † How has your understanding, appreciation, and love for Jesus and the gospel grown as a result of this study?
- ♥ In what areas of faith and practice are you feeling convicted by the Holy Spirit to act as a result of this study?