

## SERMON NOTES

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### **Moving Forward Together**

Nehemiah 3:1-32 Pastor John Sloan

**Introduction:** A whole bunch of people built a big wall. That's a summary of Nehemiah chapter 3. And yet, if every passage of scripture is profitable for us, intended to teach us about who God is, what He has done, and what He requires of us, then there has to be more for us to learn from this chapter than just observations about construction assignments and gate sizes. Rest assured: there is.

#### **How God Empowers and Mobilizes His People**

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### QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION & DISCOVERY

- 1. What's the difference between a historical-grammatical hermeneutic and a redemptive-historical hermeneutic? Why does this matter?
- Where is God calling you to honestly and humbly inspect the walls of your life (e.g., marriage, parenting, work, spiritual disciplines, etc.)? Where might repentance and growth be needed?
- 3. Just how sovereign is God? How do we know that He is also good?
- 4. How do you find encouragement in the fact that God is in sovereign control over even the sinful actions of other people?
- 5. How does God use fellow believers in the process of our sanctification?
- 6. The diversity of the wall-builders in Nehemiah 3 provides a picture of and principle for the church: God's church works when every member is working. Have you taken your place at the wall of Northpoint? How are you laboring to build?

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