

Life Application Questions – June 14, 2026

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Nehemiah 2:20 *So I answered them and said to them, "The God of heaven will give us success; therefore we His servants will arise and build ..."*

DISCOVER

1. What examples come to mind where God built or directed the building of life or structures? For each example, what was God's heart and intent behind the creation? How can we reflect the heart of God when we make plans and build?
2. What did Jesus build during his ministry on earth? Describe the foundation built by Jesus that supports His church so it can thrive. Read Matthew 7:24-26. How do you build your life on a solid foundation using the words of Jesus as your guide? Why is spiritual life vulnerable to failure without the solid foundation of Jesus?
3. If you were asked to describe the foundation, the solid rock, of Auburn Grace Community Church, how would you respond?
4. What did Jesus say about the role of a local body of believers in reaching neighbors and nations? In what ways is AGCC fulfilling the teaching of Jesus in Matthew 5:13-16?

EXPLORE (Read Nehemiah 1 and 2)

1. What was it about Nehemiah that caused him to be so soul-struck that he wept, mourned, fasted and prayed for days? Was he more concerned with the distress of the remnant left in Jerusalem or that the city itself and its walls were in such disrepair? What is the relationship between the remnant and Jerusalem's ruins? How do you see this narrative being played out in the Grace Park building project?
2. What purpose did it serve Nehemiah to delay sharing what God was putting on his heart? Was his vision fully developed at this point? How can we know if the vision of AGCC is God-inspired? Do changes and hurdles mean that it is not God-driven?
3. Read Romans 10:14-15. If you had to justify the need for missions, how would you present your case using the words of Paul as a basis? What was Paul's approach or playbook during his missionary trips?

EXPERIENCE

1. How is Grace Park an example of loving our neighbors and sharing the gospel locally? Why must AGCC be involved in planting new churches? Sending missionaries? How can you support the vision of AGCC in biblical obedience?
2. What is the role of prayer in the Grace Park endeavor? Is God answering our prayers or is He saying, "Not now.?" In what specific ways can we pray for our leaders so they do not get discouraged from adversities and other challenges?

PRAY

Father God, it is such a strange combination of thrilling endeavors and the discouragement of obstacles in fulfilling Your Great Commission. Guide us in recognizing and executing Your plan for spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ in Auburn and around the world. Amen.

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