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CELL-E-BRATION – 8/26/18 – THE CROSSINGS CHURCH COLLINSVILLE

"The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by human hands." *Acts* **17:24**

"Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple ..." 1 Corinthians 3:16a

> QUESTIONS TO REFLECT ON AS WE BUILD OUR SPIRITUAL HOUSE

1. Am I <u>BURDENED</u> for the <u>LOST</u> and <u>HURTING</u> in our area?

³ They said to me, "Those who survived the exile and are back in the province are in great trouble and disgrace. The wall of Jerusalem is broken down, and its gates have been burned with fire." ⁴ When I heard these things, I sat down and wept. *Nehemiah 1:3-4a*

"I said to the king, 'May the king live forever! Why should my face not look sad when the city where my ancestors are buried lies in ruins, and its gates have been destroyed by fire?" *Nehemiah 2:3*

• Our concern is NOT a <u>BUILDING</u>; it's <u>PEOPLE</u>.

2. Am I honestly <u>EVALUATING</u> and <u>ADDRESSING</u> <u>WEAKNESSES</u>?

"By night I went out through the Valley Gate toward the Jackal Well and the Dung Gate, examining the walls of Jerusalem, which had been broken down, and its gates, which had been destroyed by fire. *Nehemiah 2:13*

If you <u>SEE SOMETHING</u>, <u>SAY SOMETHING</u>.

3. Am I a SACRIFICING MEMBER of the TEAM?

"Eliashib the high priest and his fellow priests went to work and rebuilt the Sheep Gate. They dedicated it and set its doors in place, building as far as the Tower of the Hundred, which they dedicated, and as far as the Tower of Hananel. ² The men of Jericho built the adjoining section, and Zakkur son of Imri built next to them. ³ The Fish Gate was rebuilt by the sons of Hassenaah. They laid its beams and put its doors and bolts and bars in place. ⁴ Meremoth son of Uriah, the son of Hakkoz, repaired the next section. Next to him Meshullam son of Berekiah, the son of Meshezabel, made repairs, and next to him Zadok son of Baana also made repairs. *Nehemiah 3:1-4 [it goes on just like this for 32 verses]*

4. Am I prepared for the SPIRITUAL ATTACKS we will face?

• **EXTERNAL** threats.

⁷ But when Sanballat, Tobiah, the Arabs, the Ammonites and the people of Ashdod heard that the repairs to Jerusalem's walls had gone ahead and that the gaps were being closed, they were very angry. ⁸ They all plotted together to come and fight against Jerusalem and stir up trouble against it. **Nehemiah 4:7-8**

• INTERNAL threats.

"Now the men and their wives raised a great outcry against their fellow Jews.² Some were saying, 'We and our sons and daughters are numerous; in order for us to eat and stay alive, we must get grain.' ³ Others were saying, 'We are mortgaging our fields, our vineyards and our homes to get grain during the famine.' ⁴ Still others were saying, 'We have had to borrow money to pay the king's tax on our fields and vineyards. ⁵ Although we are of the same flesh and blood as our fellow Jews and though our children are as good as theirs, yet we have to subject our sons and daughters to slavery." *NEHEMIAH 5:1-4*

WHAT AM I MOST CHALLENGED BY IN THIS LESSON, AND WHAT WILL I COMMIT TO CHANGING TODAY FOR GOD?

RENOVATION COST ESTIMATE – THE CROSSINGS CHURCH COLLINSVILLE

2002 Mall Drive, Collinsville IL		
General Conditions	\$	4,500.00
Common Labor	\$	1,500.00
Architectural	\$	4,500.00
Permits	\$	1,400.00
Demo	\$	8,000.00
Floor prep		35,000.00
Door hardware restrooms	\$	3,500.00
restroom fixtures	\$	1,500.00
Ceiling	\$	17,500.00
Electrical	\$	28,000.00
Plumbing	\$	36,000.00
Fire Suppresion	\$	68,000.00
HVAC	\$	15,000.00
Total Project Cost	\$	224,400.00
Profit and Overhead		\$0.00
Total Project Cost Including Estimate		\$224,400.00