

MADE FOR THIS

Sermon Based Questions

"Made for This Part 4 - Making Vision Stick" – Nathan Blais

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Share

1. What's a "dream" you've had (big or small) that you could picture clearly, even if you didn't know how to get there?
2. What's one area of life where you tend to get excited quickly, and then struggle to follow through?
3. Have you seen planning make something feel possible that had felt overwhelming?

Discuss

4. Read Nehemiah 2:9–10. Discuss what the king's letters and escort reveal about God's "favour," and what Sanballat and Tobiah's reaction suggests about "opposition".
5. Nehemiah arrives and waits three days (v. 11). What might he be gaining by slowing down instead of rallying everyone immediately?
6. Read Nehemiah 2:12–16. Then discuss why Nehemiah kept quiet and inspected the walls at night. What does this teach about timing, preparation, and leadership?
7. Read Luke 14:28–33. Then discuss how Jesus' call to "count the cost" connects to the idea that "a vision without a plan is a dream."

Reflect

8. Where do you feel tension between "I know what God wants me to do" and "I don't actually have a plan to do it"?
9. Nehemiah resists the urge to talk too soon (the "Sssshhhh..." moment). What usually drives you to share things early—excitement, insecurity, fear of losing momentum, wanting approval?
10. What's one area where you're tempted to start strong but hold back from full commitment because of the cost?

Apply

11. Pick one vision you believe God has put on your heart (ministry, family, finances, habits, serving). What is one "administration step" you can do this week—something concrete like measuring, listing resources, identifying key people, or defining the next three steps?
12. Nehemiah starts with "why" when he finally speaks (Nehemiah 2:17–18). What is a one-sentence "why" you can write this week that would help you (or others) move from intention to action?