



GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

Talk About It

1. Are you more of a starter or a finisher? What makes you say that?
2. What's something you've been thinking about starting for a while, but haven't?

Read About It: Acts

Think About It

1. **Read Zechariah 4:10.** Do you think of God as one who rejoices over small beginnings? How does this affect your decisions?
 - a. Do you think that God rejoices over our small beginnings? How does this affect your decisions?
2. **Nehemiah 1:3-4** 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." When I heard these things, I sat down and wept. For some days I mourned and fasted and prayed before the God of heaven.

3. **Read Philippians 3:7-8** How would you describe what motivates Paul to continually be in step with the Holy Spirit?

Do Something About It

- What's something God is calling you to start?
- What's your very next step?
- What about starting is making you the most worried or discouraged? How can we pray together with you?

Start small.

Nehemiah 2:17-18 NIV

Then I said to them, "You see the trouble we are in: Jerusalem lies in ruins, and its gates have been burned with fire. Come, let us rebuild the wall of Jerusalem, and we will no longer be in disgrace." I also told them about the gracious hand of my God on me and what the king had said to me. They replied, "Let us start rebuilding." So, they began this good work

Take the next step.

Nehemiah 2:19-20 NIV

But when Sanballat the Horonite, Tobiah the Ammonite official and Geshem the Arab heard about it, they mocked and ridiculed us. "What is this you are doing?" they asked. "Are you rebelling against the king?" I answered them by saying, "The God of heaven will give us success. We his servants will start rebuilding ..."

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- Do you think Christians are motivated to weep, pray and fast over the condition of American Culture?