

BIG IDEA

Vision always comes at a price; a price visionary people are always will to pay.

WHAT DOES GOD WANT ME TO KNOW?

Think back to when you were a child. What were some of your dreams and aspirations?

Read Nehemiah 2:1-6. According to these verses, what was Nehemiah's vision?

Read Nehemiah 4:15-23. In what ways did God work through Nehemiah's vision? In what ways did God protect them and lead them?

Skim through Nehemiah 6. Compare and contrast the attitudes of Nehemiah and God's people with the attitudes of the people opposing the wall. What motivated both groups of people?

WHAT IS MY INITIAL REACTION?

Make a list of visionary people. This could be people you know or people who are well-known by everyone.

Develop a theory as to why people tend to oppose change and expansion?

Quickly analyze the people you listed above as visionary leaders; what do they have that others don't? How will those people be remembered?

What vision has God given you and what are you doing now because of that vision?

WHAT AM I GOING TO DO?

How do you want to be remembered by future generations?

Create a list of lessons we can learn and implement from Nehemiah's visionary leadership.

Think about this quote, "Visionaries think about a preferred future." What do you prefer your future to look like?

