

## Theme – Dare to be BROKEN

Sunday 20th November 2016

### WELCOME

Have you ever broken anything? How did that feel?  
Have you ever broken anything that wasn't yours and how did that feel?

### WORD

We need to be broken in the right way and in all the right places. We talked about allowing God to dislocate our hearts.

What kind of things do you do because you feel you're supposed to? (This could even involve things to do with God and church activity). Try and be introspective for a while.

How can you tell if someone is doing something from obligation?  
How may it look differently if someone was doing something from God's motivation?

Re-read Nehemiah 1: 1-4

Have you ever experienced similar feelings to the ones Nehemiah felt? What were the circumstances?

What do these verses tell you about Nehemiah's heart and sensitivity to God? Do you think there may be too much talk and not enough tears in society today?

How do you think we can tell the difference between a good idea and a God idea?

We talked about project vs process and how they differ.

- What are some of the reasons why we may find it easier to kick straight into having a project than going through a process with God?
- What are some of the dangers of just having good intentions?

Nehemiah went through a process of:

- sitting down and weeping
- kneeling down and praying
- standing up and acting

Which of these three positions do we find easiest to do and which do we find the hardest?  
What can we do to change?

**Pray for each other that we would be brave enough to let God start to dislocate our hearts and be broken by Him.**

**Pray for the Christmas period and the opportunities we will have.**

**Pray for the church vision of a new church location in Hagley, that we would continue to follow the process with God and resist the urge to turn it into a project!**