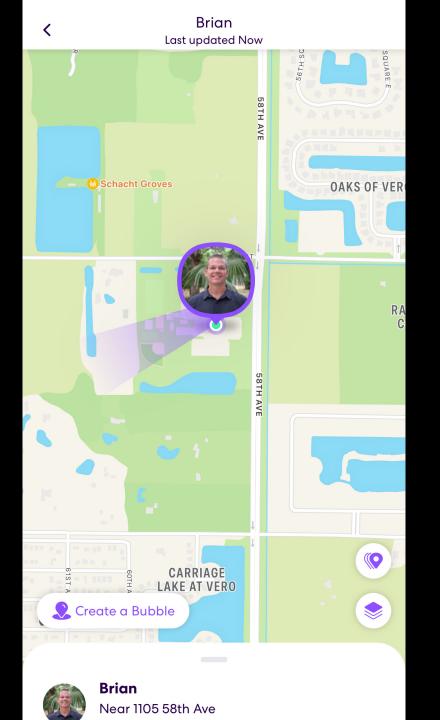
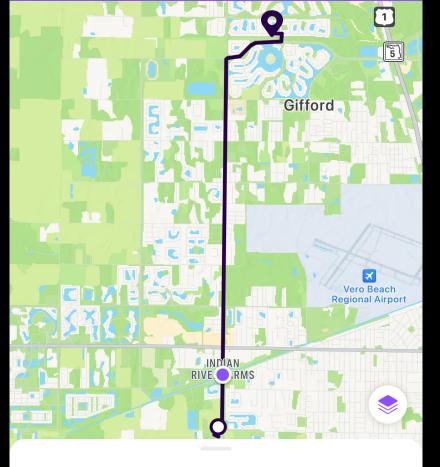




SERMON NOTES
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Brian's drive details

O 5833 12th St

9:12 PM

Home

9:23 PM

Drive events

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Braking



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Go home. Lock yourself in your room. Kneel down in the middle of the floor, and with a piece of chalk draw a circle around yourself. There, on your knees, pray fervently and brokenly that God would start a revival within that chalk circle.

— Mark Batterson

"Because of all this we make a firm covenant in writing; on the sealed document are the names of our princes, our Levites, and our priests."

NEHEMIAH 9:38 ESV

"On the seals are the names of Nehemiah the governor, the son of Hacaliah, Zedekiah,"

NEHEMIAH 10:1 ESV

"The rest of the people, the priests, the Levites, the gatekeepers, the singers, the temple servants, and all who have separated themselves from the peoples of the lands to the Law of God, their wives, their sons, their daughters, all who have knowledge and understanding, 29 join with their brothers, their nobles, and enter

NEHEMIAH 10:28-33 ESV

into a curse and an oath to walk in God's Law that was given by Moses the servant of God, and to observe and do all the commandments of the Lord our Lord and his rules and his statutes. 30 We will not give our daughters to the peoples of the land or take their daughters for our sons. 31 And if the peoples of the land bring in goods or any

NEHEMIAH 10:28-33 ESV

grain on the Sabbath day to sell, we will not buy from them on the Sabbath or on a holy day. And we will forego the crops of the seventh year and the exaction of every debt. 32 We also take on ourselves the obligation to give yearly a third part of a shekel for the service of the house of our God: 33 for the showbread, the regular grain offering,

NEHEMIAH 10:28-33 ESV

the regular burnt offering, the Sabbaths, the new moons, the appointed feasts, the holy things, and the sin offerings to make atonement for Israel, and for all the work of the house of our God."

NEHEMIAH 10:28-33 ESV

We obligate ourselves to bring the firstfruits of our ground and the firstfruits of all fruit of every tree, year by year, to the house of the Lord; 36 also to bring to the house of our God, to the priests who minister in the house of our God, the firstborn of our sons and of our cattle, as it is written in the Law, and the firstborn of our herds and of our flocks;

NEHEMIAH 10:35-37 ESV

37 and to bring the first of our dough, and our contributions, the fruit of every tree, the wine and the oil, to the priests, to the chambers of the house of our God; and to bring to the Levites the tithes from our ground, for it is the Levites who collect the tithes in all our towns where we labor.

NEHEMIAH 10:35-37 ESV

Living circle 1: your <u>identity</u> (inner) circle

NEHEMIAH 10; 2 CORINTHIANS 6:14; MARK 2:27-28; MALACHI 3:8-10 ESV When we learn to lay down lesser things, we will be able to pick-up greater identity and purpose.

Identity issues:

Intermarriage = relationships honoring God

Do not be unequally yoked with unbelievers. For what partnership has righteousness with lawlessness? Or what fellowship has light with darkness?

2 CORINTHIANS 6:14 ESV

Value issues:

Sabbath = rest honoring God

And he said to them, "The Sabbath was made for man, not man for the Sabbath.

28 So the Son of Man is lord even of the Sabbath."

MARK 2:27-28 ESV

Worth issues:

First fruits = resources honoring God

- God is first.
- God gives us His first and finest.
- We respond by giving our first and finest.

"Will man rob God? Yet you are robbing me. But you say, 'How have we robbed you?' In your tithes and contributions. 9 You are cursed with a curse, for you are robbing me, the whole nation of you. 10 Bring the full tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house.

MALACHI 3:8-10 ESV And thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you a blessing until there is no more need."

MALACHI 3:8-10 ESV

Now the leaders of the people lived in Jerusalem. And the rest of the people cast lots to bring one out of ten to live in Jerusalem the holy city, while nine out of ten remained in the other towns. 2 And the people blessed all the men who willingly offered to live in Jerusalem.

NEHEMIAH 11:1-2 ESV

And as for the villages, with their fields, some of the people of Judah lived in Kiriath-arba and its villages, and in Dibon and its villages, and in Jekabzeel and its villages,

NEHEMIAH 11:25 ESV

The people of Benjamin also lived from Geba onward, at Michmash, Aija, Bethel and its villages,

NEHEMIAH 11:31 ESV

Living circle 2: your <u>purpose</u> (outer) circle

NEHEMIAH 11:1-2, 25, 31; MARK 2:1-12; REVELATION 12:11 ESV

When we learn to lay down lesser things, we will be able to pick-up greater identity and purpose.

Living for Jesus brings purpose to our <u>daily locations</u>.

What city/town do you live in?

Living for Jesus brings purpose to our <u>daily living</u>.

And when he returned to Capernaum after some days, it was reported that he was at home. 2 And many were gathered together, so that there was no more room, not even at the door. And he was preaching the word to them. 3 And they came, bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men. 4 And when they could not get near him

because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him, and when they had made an opening, they let down the bed on which the paralytic lay. 5 And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "Son, your sins are forgiven." 6 Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, 7 "Why does this man speak like

that? He is blaspheming! Who can forgive sins but God alone?" 8 And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, "Why do you question these things in your hearts? 9 Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, take up your bed and walk'?

10 But that you may know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins"—he said to the paralytic— 11 "I say to you, rise, pick up your bed, and go home." 12 And he rose and immediately picked up his bed and went out before them all, so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!"

Our purpose overflows from the blood of Jesus and our testimony.

And they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, for they loved not their lives even unto death.

REVELATION 12:11 ESV

NEXT STEP QUESTIONS

- Will you honor God with living circle one?

 If so, what needs to change today with His help?
 - 2 Will you honor God with living circle two?
 If so, what needs to change today with His help?

Will you enlarge your circle today and let our prayer partners pray over your living circles?

