

RETURN
REBUILD
RENEW
Nehemiah 1-8

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Rebuild - how do we ‘reconstruct’ church for the future mission of God’s people?

Renewal – How are we to continue to respond to the invitation of God to be ambassadors for Christ in the ministry of reconciliation, builders for the Kingdom of God, and ‘commission holders’?



PRAYER



REST



ASSESS



TRUST



RETURN
PRAYER

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- How do we manage depleted energy, anger, grief, unrealised vision?
- How do we build physical and spiritual strength? How do we re-grow spiritual health? (Illustration - after muscle wastage)
- What do we re-engage with, pick up and what do we leave?
- Resilience can be built through lived experience; how has our lived experience as the people of God equipped us for what lies ahead?
- What issues, challenges, or opportunities have had to be ‘parked’ over the last year? How will we engage with them as we return?
- What have we learnt in the past year about ourselves, our community, our churches that speak of new opportunities to our life and mission?
- What are the fears we need to name?
 - For ourselves?
 - Our congregations and wider community?
 - Financing our mission?
 - For our part in being a disciple discovering and growing church?



VISION



GOD FIRST

When
His Kingdom
is your priority.

PRIORITY



TEAM / FAMILY



OPPOSITION



SACRIFICIAL



**CALL TO
SERVE
THE POOR**

REBUILD

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- ***Rebuild – how do we ‘reconstruct’ church for the future mission of God’s people?***
- Master Chef – deconstructed apple pie – all the essential ingredients but it doesn’t look an apple pie Danger of deconstructing rather than re-construct? Church can look different but must have key ingredients, and still be recognisable?
- How can we ensure we build on Rock vs Sand(Christ centred & Jesus shaped) ?
- How might we focus on rebuilding without neglecting our call to serve the least and marginalised among us?
- What are the key ‘building materials’? – The essentials? Living Stones?
- What sort of structure? Local, diocesan, national?
- What is the cost? & Are we prepared to bear it ?

RENEWAL

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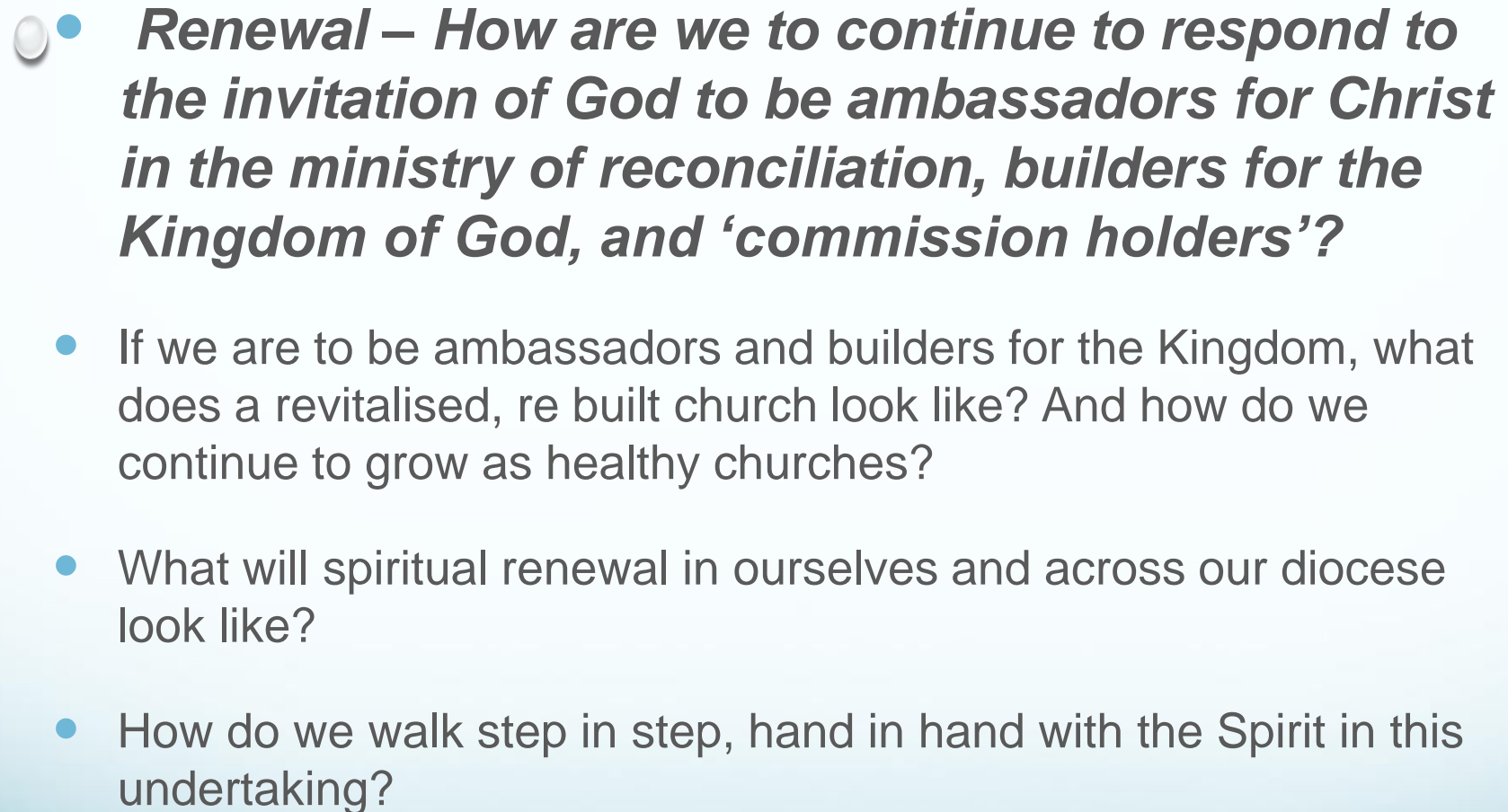


REDISCOVERY

Brueggemann: Outsider to insider, the 'Forgetter' to the 'rememberer' and beloved children become belief-ful adults

RENEWAL



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- ***Renewal – How are we to continue to respond to the invitation of God to be ambassadors for Christ in the ministry of reconciliation, builders for the Kingdom of God, and ‘commission holders’?***
 - If we are to be ambassadors and builders for the Kingdom, what does a revitalised, re built church look like? And how do we continue to grow as healthy churches?
 - What will spiritual renewal in ourselves and across our diocese look like?
 - How do we walk step in step, hand in hand with the Spirit in this undertaking?