

Introduction: God desperately needs a People that will be His people! God's Work, is God's work, but He chooses to use man to carry out many aspects of His work. When He calls us to do a work and serve His Kingdom, He will equip us for that work. Whether naturally or super-naturally.

The question is: Will you be His people? Will you let Him use you? Will you be His instrument? Will you be fully His? 100% Share about the things that need to be implemented for building!

T@Xtl: Romans 6:13; Nehemiah 4

Outline:

II. Building Agitates...!

Nehemiah records the events of returning to Jerusalem and rebuilding the walls in 445 B.C. Jerusalem had a temple but there was no protection for the city from further attack. Nehemiah travels to Jerusalem and uses his leadership skill to rally a citywide construction crew. But this did not come without opposition! Sanballat and Tobiah scoffed, mocked, denounced, and spoke against the attempt with threats and discouraging predictions.

(Give a little History then Read Nehemiah 4:1-3 NKJV)

- **A.** Those it Threatens. See, the devil does not mind if we come here and meet Sunday mornings, Sunday after Sunday or Wednesday after Wednesday! He does not mind if we sing our pretty little songs and hear a sermon! He does not mind if we come to the altar and pray our self serving prayers... It is when the earth starts being disturbed under his feet! It is when Authority is used in Christ's Name! It is when evil spirits are being bound and the Holy Spirit is being loosed to Move freely that satan get's agitated and moved to try and stop what God desires to do through His people!
- B. Building Takes Action! (Read Nehemiah 4:11-14 VKJV)

The Leader, Nehemiah, helped position the leaders and the rest of the people, for the action that was going to be needed, if they were going to be able to do what God desired them to do. Notice what Nehemiah did: (Doodly video:) **1.** he arose, **2.** challenges them to "Remember the LORD" and **3.** FIGHT for your brethren, your sons, your daughters, your wives, and your house!

C. God Needs A People. People who are determined to turn this around and climb the walls to build God's kingdom; need to be willing to work hard to do what it is going to take to build on what has been done in the past & rebuild what the enemy has destroyed, and build new defenses that will protect the ministry that God wants to accomplish at Grace Family Fellowship! Nehemiah 4:15, 17, 18 NKJV

a. Our Weapons:

- The Sword and Prayer!

We must be ready to resist the devil's plots! We must be ready to Fight! We must recognize our weaponry! It is not carnal! It is powerful, to the pulling down of Strongholds! **It is the Word of God, our swords and it is prayer! We must MARCH! MARCH ON OUR KNEES!** It is the only way to survive! Otherwise, we will be divided! Beaten down! Stopped! And rendered ineffective for the Kingdom Work that God needs us for!!

b. Our Tools:

- What God has given us to be used for Him. We all have talents, skills, personalities that can thrive in ministry within the church and outside the church to bring glory to His name! But we never stop building!

- God calls us to have the Sword in one hand and the hammer in the other. Or the tool God has called us to use to continue to build!

- We are told to continue to build... having the tools in one hand and the sword in the other hand. So even when opposition comes, we are to fight off the enemy and build!
- **Don't stop building for God!** God never stopped building for you. He sent His son, Jesus was raised as a carpenter, and He continues to build lives! He works on me every day!

III. Heavy Lifting!

A. Unity - No Separation! Nehemiah 4:19-20 NKJV

The trumpet is going to sound! Will we be ready? Will we be divided over petty, childish, and insignificant things? Will we be too far apart? Or

will we hear the call of God to UNITE! Come together! Fight Together! Too much is at stake!

- Prepare for Victory! Because God will fight for you! He will, if we are positioned where He needs us to be!

B. Worship