

# SERMON NOTES

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## Serving God by putting on the Armor

Nehemiah 4:15-23

*"When our enemies heard that it was known to us and that God had frustrated their plan, we all returned to the wall, each to his work. From that day on, half of my servants worked on construction, and half held the spears, shields, bows, and coats of mail. And the leaders stood behind the whole house of Judah, who were building on the wall. Those who carried burdens were loaded in such a way that each labored on the work with one hand and held his weapon with the other. And each of the builders had his sword strapped at his side while he built. The man who sounded the trumpet was beside me. And I said to the nobles and to the officials and to the rest of the people, "The work is great and widely spread, and we are separated on the wall, far from one another. In the place where you hear the sound of the trumpet, rally to us there. Our God will fight for us." So we labored at the work, and half of them held the spears from the break of dawn until the stars came out. I also said to the people at that time, "Let every man and his servant pass the night within Jerusalem, that they may be a guard for us by night and may labor by day." So neither I nor my brothers nor my servants nor the men of the guard who followed me, none of us took off our clothes; each kept his weapon at his right hand."*

A truism: To become a Christian costs \_\_\_\_\_.

To follow Christ as \_\_\_\_\_ costs \_\_\_\_\_.

The enemy turned up the heat with threats of \_\_\_\_\_.

Vs. 11 - *"They shall not know, neither see, till we come in the midst of them."* We are talking hand to hand combat with swords and spears. *"We will \_\_\_\_\_ them!"*

What do you hear when you are close enough to hear the devil? \_\_\_\_\_.

Pessimism will spread \_\_\_\_\_.

It is at such times you need to \_\_\_\_\_ toward God. Find a Christian \_\_\_\_\_.

This is a \_\_\_\_\_ battle.

Whenever the \_\_\_\_\_ of God is on display, it will cause the fury of the \_\_\_\_\_.

What did Nehemiah do? He looked \_\_\_\_\_ to God. In

2 Chronicles 20:12. He prayed, *"Lord as this great company comes against us, we don't know what to do. We are not strong enough to overcome them. But our eyes are upon \_\_\_\_\_."*

Vs. 14 "Remember the Lord. He is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_."

*"You are in His will doing His work. You are here because God has called. Remember the Lord who is great and terrible."*

He will seem terrible to those whom He \_\_\_\_\_. God is \_\_\_\_\_.

Vs.17 Half the people were \_\_\_\_\_. Half were holding \_\_\_\_\_.

Vs. 23 that they were \_\_\_\_\_ - not even changing clothes.

Today's principle: Ephesians 6 says put on the full \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

Vs. 14 Belt of \_\_\_\_\_

Vs. 14 The breastplate of \_\_\_\_\_

Vs. 15 Sandals of \_\_\_\_\_

Vs. 16 Shield of \_\_\_\_\_

Vs. 17 The helmet of \_\_\_\_\_

Vs. 17 Sword of the \_\_\_\_\_.

Be a \_\_\_\_\_ but keep your eyes open for the \_\_\_\_\_.

Vs. 20. Neneiah kept the \_\_\_\_\_ by his side to \_\_\_\_\_ te army.