

SERMON NOTES

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A Study in Nehemiah - Making Preparations in times of Uncertainty

Nehemiah 2:11-20

Nehemiah 2:11 Arriving in Jerusalem, he spent _____ days resting up after the tiring 1000 mile, four month journey from Susa.

Here's a biblical principle: Don't make any really important decisions when you are _____.

Why was it so important that Nehemiah make a survey of the land?

Proverbs 24:3-4 *"By _____ a house is built and by _____ it is established; through knowledge its rooms are filled with every precious and beautiful treasure."*

Proverbs 21:5 *"understand the _____ of a job or end up in _____."*

Nehemiah discovered:

This was not going to be an _____ job.

There was _____.

Verse 10. *"When Sanballat, the Horonite, and Tobiah the Ammonite heard that Nehemiah was in town to repair the city walls, it _____ them exceedingly that someone had come to seek the _____ of the children of Israel."*

It was _____ going to be a one man job but a _____ effort.

Dwight Eisenhower *"Leadership is the ability to get a person to do what you want him to do, when you want it done, in a way you want it done, because he wants to do it."*

Vs. 17. *"Then I said to them, 'You see the bad situation _____ are in, that Jerusalem is desolate and its gates burned by fire. Come, let us rebuild the wall of Jerusalem so that we will no longer be a reproach.'"*

He _____ with the workers:

He showed a spiritual perspective. They are in _____

There was a spiritual _____. People thought that God had _____ them.

Vs. 17 *"Come, let us _____ the wall of Jerusalem, and we will no longer be in disgrace."*

Vs. 18. *"And I told them of the hand of my God that had been upon me for good, and also of the words that the king had spoken to me."*

The central theme for Nehemiah was the _____ of God.

The people said *"Let us _____ rebuilding."*

Do what you ought to do because the _____
_____ of our God is upon you.

Vs. 19 The enemies of God Sanballet and Tobiah who lived nearby were very much
_____.

They were mocked and accused of _____ against the king.

Vs. 20 - Nehemiah responds by _____ God.

When your faith is mocked, rather than retaliating, _____ God and
let _____ defend you.