

## 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 Sanballat 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.