

Nehemiah - *Rising up to do something extra ordinary*

Neh 4:6 So we rebuilt the wall till all of it reached half its height, for the people worked with all their heart.

Whatever you do, don't do it **halfway**.

Many scholars comment that Nehemiah and the people were energy out of **energy**.

Neh 4:7 But when Sanballat, Tobiah, the Arabs, the Ammonites and the men of Ashdod heard that the repairs to Jerusalem's walls had gone ahead and that the gaps were being closed, they were very angry. 8 They all plotted together to come and fight against Jerusalem and stir up trouble against it.

The people were **discouraged** and fearing for their homes and families.

God did not **purpose** us to go halfway. Halfway...in life, relationships, visions, church, and walk.

Neh 4:9 But we prayed to our God and posted a guard day and night to meet this threat.

Prayer is the only power in the world that **supercedes** (removes) natural laws.

Prayer should be regarded as practice of the **presence** of God.

Prayer always remains hidden to **intelligence** and offers us access to God's supernatural & miraculous.

If our wall is half-way and we feel like quitting, we can choose to follow Nehemiah's example.

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Prayer and **posted** a guard day and night represents the balance between faith and action.

There are times when we just have to take **action**. Act upon God's promises.

2 Corinthians 5:7 We walk by faith and not by sight

Whether thing seem to be $\frac{1}{4}$ $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{3}{4}$ we must walk by **faith** and not by sight.

*Neh 6:15 So the wall was completed on the twenty-fifth of Elul, in **fifty-two** days.*

When God places a mission (person, people, place passion) in your path ...He will **see** it through.

One last point about Nehemiah ...Look how he chooses to **conclude** His book.

Neh 13:31 Remember me with favor oh my God.

What can I do this week?

Walk by faith...not by sight.

Be willing to be a Nehemiah in this church, in this community, in your neighborhood, in your family.

Pray and believe that 100 souls will be saved on Easter Sunday.