The Builders in the Vision

Nehemiah 3-4

Introduction

Nehemiah

- 1. He was a common man
- 2. He never audibly heard the voice of God.

All visions must start in the mind and then spark with prayer. The vision then moves to the heart. The vision the becomes a plan and is fulfilled with partners.

All visions spark with a prayer.

Then move into the heart.

All visions must have strategic details.

All visions must have builders within it.

Nehemiah Prayed/ Planned/ Partnered.

Arabian Nights = Walls magically raised out of the sand but in God's world walls are built through the determined labor of people.

In chapter 3 you have a list of all those involved in building the walls but usually the names are skipped.

Chapter 3 The Name of the Builders

- 1. Nehemiah had a great memory.
- 2. Nehemiah kept great records.
- 3. God knows each contributors.
- 4. All have an important role in the work of God.

Chapter 4

Verse 1-3 & 7-8 The Plan of the Enemy

- 1. Who is Sandballot / Tobiah / Geshem
- 2. They were angry about God's work.
- 3. They verbally mocked the Jews.
- 4. What will they do?
- 5. They cannot do it!
- 6. Tobiah (Cynicism of the Enemy).
- 7. They unified to stop God's work.
- 8. They conspired to fight.
- 9. To hinder.

Verses 4-6 The Perseverance of the Faithful

- 1. Hear O God
- 2. Make them prey in the land
- 3. Don't cover their sin
- 4. They provoke the to anger
- 5. So built we the walls
- 6. The people had a mind to work.

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Conclusion

- 1. Everyone contributes when building the Kingdom of God.
- 2. Everyone will experience opposition when seeking to build the Kingdom.
- 3. Everyone must pray to God and persevere in pressure.

Challenge

- 1. What are you contributing to the vision of God?
- 2. Have you experienced opposition in working for God?
- 3. If so, pray to God and persevere.