

**November 19, 2023**

**BUILD TO LAST - FIGHT TO WIN**

**NEHEMIAH 1:1-3**

**THE REPORT**

## Teaching Purpose

Answers the question, “How should I understand this verse?”

Is the passage dealing with a:

<b>S</b>	<b>P</b>	<b>E</b>	<b>C</b>	<b>S</b>
<u>Sin</u> to confess and forsake?	<u>Promise</u> to claim?	<del>Example to follow?</del>	<u>Command</u> to obey?	<u>Situation</u> or <u>State of mind</u> to avoid before it develops into a sin?

## Sermonic Principle(s)

Answers the **Question**, “What’s in it, or What’s the take away for me?”

- 1) The Book of Nehemiah is the **classic book** in the Bible on the matter of **Personal Service**.
- 2) No **SERVICE** of any kind can be taken on with so much potential as **Service** to THE MASTER

## Sermonic Principle(s) - cont.

- 3) **Service** TO HIM can be so/so **REWARDING** on one hand and  
. .so/so **Disappointing** on the other hand
- 4) Whenever GOD wants to get a major **work** done HE calls out  
a willing **SERVANT**
- 5) Never was there a time when men and women of Faith/  
Principles/ Conviction/ and Courage are called out  
to **SERVE THE MASTER than NOW. . . RIGHT NOW!**

## **Action Point**

**Having heard and understood this teaching,  
answers the question, “What should I do?”**

**LIVE LIKE IT. . .  
SERVE LIKE IT!**

# THE REPORT

## Nehemiah 1:1-3 KJV

1 The words of Nehemiah the son of Hachaliah. And it came to pass in the month Chisleu, in the twentieth year, as I was in Shushan the palace,

<sup>2</sup> That Hanani, one of my brethren, came, he and certain men of Judah; and I asked them concerning the Jews that had escaped, which were left of the captivity, and concerning Jerusalem.

<sup>3</sup> And they said unto me, The remnant that are left of the captivity there in the province are in great affliction and reproach: the wall of Jerusalem also is broken down, and the gates thereof are burned with fire.

# Nehemiah 1:1-3

## Amplified

1 The words of Nehemiah son of Hacaliah:

Now it happened in the month of Chislev, in the [a]twentieth year [of the [b]Persian king], as I was in the [c]capitol of Susa, <sup>2</sup> Hanani, one of my brothers, and some men from Judah came; and I asked them about the surviving Jews who had escaped and survived the captivity, and about Jerusalem. <sup>3</sup> They said to me, “The remnant there in the province who survived the captivity are in great distress and reproach; the wall of Jerusalem is broken down and its [fortified] gates have been burned (destroyed) by fire.”

# Nehemiah 1:1-3

## The Message

1 <sup>1-2</sup> The memoirs of Nehemiah son of Hacaliah.

It was the month of Kislev in the twentieth year. At the time I was in the palace complex at Susa. Hanani, one of my brothers, had just arrived from Judah with some fellow Jews. I asked them about the conditions among the Jews there who had survived the exile, and about Jerusalem.

<sup>3</sup> They told me, “The exile survivors who are left there in the province are in bad shape. Conditions are appalling. The wall of Jerusalem is still rubble; the city gates are still cinders.”

# BUILD & FIGHT

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## NEHEMIAH 4:17-18 (KJV)

<sup>17</sup>They which builded on the wall, and they that bare burdens, with those that laded, **every one with one of his hands wrought in the work, and with the other hand held a weapon.** <sup>18</sup>For the builders, every one had his sword girded by his side, and so builded. And he that sounded the trumpet was by me.

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