

REBUILD

LESSONS FROM THE BOOK OF NEHEMIAH

#1 – Readying to Rebuild
Sunday, September 6 | Tommy Duke
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REBUILD PRINCIPLE:

- **NO MATTER THE _____, GOD IS STILL IN THE _____ BUSINESS.**

“Do not remember the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I will do a new thing, now it shall spring forth; Shall you not know it? I will even make a road in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.” – Isaiah 43:18-19

“Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.” – 2 Corinthians 5:17

“Then He who sat on the throne said, ‘Behold, I make all things new.’” – Revelation 21:5

IN PREPARING FOR GOD TO REBUILD, I MUST:
(See Nehemiah 1:1-11)

1. **R_____ TO SEE WHAT IS NOT RIGHT.**

“And they said to me, ‘The survivors who are left from the captivity in the province are there in great distress and reproach. The wall of Jerusalem is also broken down, and its gates are burned with fire.’” – Nehemiah 1:3

“Wash yourselves, make yourselves clean; Put away the evil of your doings from before My eyes. Cease to do evil, learn to do good; Seek justice, rebuke the oppressor; Defend the fatherless, plead for the widow.” – Isaiah 1:16-17

2. **E_____ FOR THINGS THAT BREAK HIS.**

Memory Verse:

“So it was, when I heard these words, that I sat down and wept, and mourned for many days; I was fasting and praying before the God of heaven.” – Nehemiah 1:4

“But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd.” – Matthew 9:36

3. A _____ **FOR MY SINS & SHORTCOMINGS.**

“...please let Your ear be attentive and Your eyes open, that You may hear the prayer of Your servant which I pray before You now, day and night, for the children of Israel Your servants, and confess the sins of the children of Israel which we have sinned against You. Both my father’s house and I have sinned.” – Nehemiah 1:6

“If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” – 1 John 1:8-9

4. D _____ **REQUEST GOD’S _____ TO BRING CHANGE.**

“Remember, I pray, the word that You commanded Your servant Moses, saying, ‘If you are unfaithful, I will scatter you among the nations; but if you return to Me, and keep My commandments and do them, though some of you were cast out to the farthest part of the heavens, yet I will gather them from there, and bring them to the place which I have chosen as a dwelling for My name.’” – Nehemiah 1:8-9

“Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer; And attend to the voice of my supplications. In the day of my trouble

5. Y _____ **PRIVILEGES FOR GOD’S PURPOSES.**

“O Lord, I pray, please let Your ear be attentive to the prayer of Your servant, and to the prayer of Your servants who desire to fear Your name; and let Your servant prosper this day, I pray, and grant him mercy in the sight of this man.’ For I was the king’s cupbearer.” – Nehemiah 1:11

“But what things were gain to me, these I have counted loss for Christ. Yet indeed I also count all things loss for the excellence of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord, for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and count them as rubbish, that I may gain Christ and be found in Him, not having my own righteousness, which is from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which is from God by faith;” – Philippians 3:7-9

MY NEXT STEP TODAY IS TO:

- Memorize Nehemiah 1:4.
- Consider what Rebuild project the Lord is revealing to you.
- Ask God’s forgiveness for something specific in my life.
- Pray for God to rebuild our church to be more effective than ever.

NEXT WEEK:

REBUILD Part 2 - Embarking with Enthusiasm

