



Rebuild Our City: Finish Well

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1. Are you engaged in a worthy cause in your life?

“You see the trouble we are in, how Jerusalem lies in ruins with its gates burned. Come, let us build the wall of Jerusalem...” So they strengthened their hands for the good work. Nehemiah 2:17-18

2. Is your focus strong and current ?

There arose a great outcry of the people [...] “We are many. So let us get grain, that we may eat and keep alive.” Nehemiah 5:1-2

Remember for my good, O my God, all that I have done for this people. Nehemiah 5:19

3. Are you clear on and dealing with what stands in the way?

“Come and let us meet together [...] in the plain of Ono.” But they intended to do me harm. Nehemiah 6:2

“I am doing a great work and I cannot come down. Why should the work stop while I leave it and come down to you?” Nehemiah 6:3

Now, O God, strengthen my hands. Nehemiah 6:9

4. Are you humbly tenacious to the end?

I understood and saw that God [had not sent him]... So [the wall] was finished [...] in [fifty-two] days. Nehemiah 6:12,15

All the nations around us were afraid and fell greatly in their own esteem, for they perceived that this work had been accomplished with the help of our God. Nehemiah 6:16

REFLECTION QUESTIONS

1. In the midst of Covid-19, is there a WIG (wildly important goal) that would help you and your family these days?
 2. In what ways are you dealing with stumbling blocks (external or internal) that you may be facing?
 3. Be honest, do you have a balance with humble consideration of others and holding fast to your concerns and passions?
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