September 26/Day 269

Nehemiah 1

Verses 1-3

- Where was Nehemiah in this passage? So, he was an exile.
- Apparently, he was taken prior to the siege of Jerusalem.
- What do we learn about some Jews from Jerusalem in this passage?
- What did Nehemiah hear regarding Jerusalem?

Verses 4-11

- How did Nehemiah feel about what he had heard?
- How did he respond?
- Did he intercede for others or was his prayer only about asking for help?
- What is the application for us when we hear distressing news?
- What was Nehemiah's occupation?

Nehemiah 2

Verses 1-8

- Artexerxes is the son of Xerxes (Ahaseurus of Esther).
- What did the king notice of Nehemiah?
- How did Nehemiah answer the king and what was his request?
- Who was with the king at the time?
- What requests did the king grant to Nehemiah?

Verses 9-10

- What did the king send with Nehemiah?
- Who was unhappy about Nehemiah's journey?

Verses 11-16

- After Nehemiah had been in Jerusalem for three days, what did he begin to do by night?
- Whom had he told about his plan to rebuild?

Verses 17-20

- To gain context and see who Nehemiah is speaking to, back up to the end of the previous paragraph. To whom is he speaking here?
- What did they say?
- Who mocked them? Have we seen them before?
- Of what were these men accusing them?
- Think about all that we have read previously, where did these men come from?

Nehemiah 3

Verses 1-2

• What do these verses tell us about how the work was organized?

Verses 3-5

- How was the work organized in this passage?
- What are we told in the last phrase?

Verses 6-12

• What kinds of men were helping with the repairs?

Verses 13-32

• What is our application here in regard to doing our part and working together?

Nehemiah 4

Verses 1-3

- What was Sanballat's demeanor when he heard about the rebuilding?
- What did he do to the Jews?
- What is our application for how people respond to what we are "building" for the Lord?

Verses 4-5

- What was their prayer?
- Is it okay to pray for vindication?

Verse 6

• Were the people successful? Why?

Verses 7-8

• What did the three men conspire to do?

Verse 9

- How did the Jews respond?
- What is our application?

Verses 10-14

- What did their enemies say?
- Think about this, what was it to them whether or not they rebuilt the city? What did it benefit them to worry about what someone else was doing and make enemies of them for it?
- What word did Nehemiah speak to the people whom he stationed to defend the builders?

Verses 15-20

• When the enemies heard they Jews knew about their plan and it was thwarted, on what were the Jews then able to focus?

Verses 21-23

• What did the builders have to do continually?

Nehemiah 5

Verses 1-5

- Why was there a great outcry? From whom and against whom?
- What were they doing with their fields?

Verses 6-13

- How did Nehemiah feel about the outcry?
- What were the Jews doing against the people from other nations?
- Did they receive the instruction Nehemiah gave them?

Verses 14-19

- What are we told about Nehemiah's position in verse 14?
- How long did he hold this position?
- What did the formers governors do to the people?

- Have you ever experienced a domineering boss, teacher, church leader, or parent?
- Why did Nehemiah not treat them this way according to verse 15?
- Why did he not demand the governor's food allowance?
- What does this tell us about Nehemiah's character?
- What did he ask of God?

See you tomorrow.