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Title: Rise Up & Build - Rise Up Workers and Warriors - PART 2

Scriptures: Nehemiah 4:14-23; Chapter 5 (homework)

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### Read Nehemiah 4:14-23 and supporting scriptures

6. Response: As the battle continued – Nehemiah 4:10-12
  - a. Some of the people were running out of strength.
  - b. Ten times the enemy threatened them, and many of them became weary, worried, and discouraged. The enemy is relentless and ruthless--day in and day out.
  - c. 2 Thessalonians 3:13, "But as for you brothers and sisters do not grow weary in doing good."
  - d. 2 Timothy 1:7 "For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind." Remember...we are to be anxious for nothing!
  - e. 2 Corinthians 12:9 "My grace is sufficient for you. My strength is made perfect in weakness."
7. Nehemiah's Challenge – Nehemiah 4:14-15a
  - a. "Remember the Lord great and awesome..."(14b)
  - b. Isaiah 46:9 "Remember the former things of old, For I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like Me."
  - c. God brought the enemies plans and plots "To Nothing." (15a)
8. The Peoples' Response – Nehemiah 4:15b-23
  - a. They returned to the wall. (Back to the vision!) (15b)
  - b. They became not only **Workers**, but they also became **Warriors**. (16-19)
  - c. What they knew..."**Our God will fight for us!**" (20)
9. Internal Strife – Nehemiah 5 – The struggle is inside and out! (HOMEWORK)
  - a. When Satan's attacks fail from the outside, he begins to attack from the inside.
  - b. The wealthy Jews lent money to the poorer Jews and charged very high interest and when the poorer people could not repay their property was repossessed. They were operating selfishly.
  - c. Selfishness means putting yourself at the center of everything!
  - d. Nehemiah confronts and challenges the wealthy Jews, and they repent and do the right thing.
  - e. Nehemiah sets the example of giving and unselfishness.
  - f. We are most like God when we are giving!
  - g. Philippians 2:3 "...let us esteem others better than ourselves."
  - h. **Maranatha, let's continue to be Workers, Warriors and Givers!**