

Sermon Series: **SWEATIN' TO THE OLDIES**

- First Character: NOAH (2,500 B.C.) "One Person Can Make a Difference"
- Second Character: JOSEPH (2,000 B.C.) "Don't Give Up on Your Dream"
- Third Character: ELIJAH (850 B.C.) "Just Be Yourself"
- Fourth Character: ESTHER (483 B.C.) "God Has Placed You Where You Need To Be"
- Today's Character: **NEHEMIAH** (444 B.C.) "Big Problems Can Be Solved"

Scripture: **Nehemiah 1:3**

Intro: Do you have any problems today? Great news...every _____ (miracle) starts with a problem!

NEHEMIAH'S PROCESS FOR PROBLEM SOLVING

1. He sought _____ (information) about the problem (1:1-2)
2. He was _____ (personally) affected by the problem (1:3--4)
3. He fasted and _____ (prayed) about the problem (1:4-11)
4. He _____ (shared) the problem with the King (2:3)
5. He asked for the King's _____ (help) (2:5)
6. He personally _____ (investigated) the problem (2:11-13)
7. He met with the people and cast the _____ (vision) (2:17)
8. He _____ (encouraged) them with past successes (2:18a)
9. He received buy-in from the _____ (people) (2:18b)
10. He immediately faced _____ (opposition) (2:19)
11. He expressed confidence in _____ (God's) assistance (2:20)
12. He _____ (organized) the people and got them working (3:1-32)

NEHEMIAH'S CLOSING WORDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT

1. Don't be afraid to ask for _____ (help).
2. Keep _____ (focused) on the task at hand.

CONCLUSION: Nehemiah 6:15 "So the wall was completed!"