

the RESTORATION MAN

A series in the Old Testament
book of Nehemiah

What is the series about?

Nehemiah is a man in the Old Testament book of the Bible who is responsible for looking after King Artaxerxes - particularly serving Him wine. While doing this job he finds out that the temple walls in his hometown of Jerusalem have been destroyed and he leads the project of rebuilding them. Nehemiah's restoring work was but a shadow of the greater and final restoring work that Jesus did through his life, death, resurrection and ascension.

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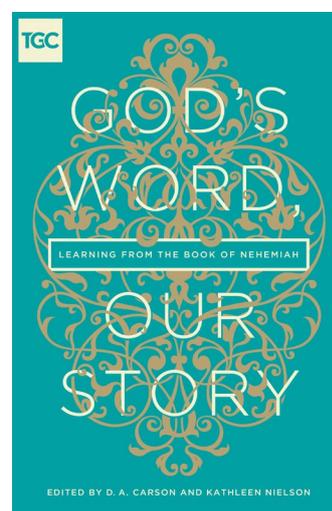
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Recommended Reading

God's Word, Our Story

D.A. Carson & Kathleen Nielson



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Title: Enemy Tactics.

Speaker: Goff Hope (City Centre & City West) Bible Ref: Nehemiah ch4

Overview

One of most sobering facts of Christian life according to Bible is that we have a supernatural enemy whose aim is to use pain or pleasure to deceive, derail & destroy us. The Bible calls him the Devil, Satan. As God's people got to work, so did Satan. Here we see opposition fleshed out in Sanballat & co. But remember, it's not just flesh & blood opposition. *Eph 6v12*

An enemy who is angry v1 His tactics: 1)Ridicule 2)Discouragement 3)Fear 4)Compromise

A People Prepared Nehemiah's response 1)Prayer 2)Set guard 3)Don't fear, remember God

A Faithful God who is mighty Remember the Lord who is great & awesome v14. See *Neh 2v8 'The gracious hand of my God was on me'* Where do we see God's power? 1)In Creation 2)In the Cross & Resurrection, see *Colossians 2v13 to 15*.

Questions to help your group understand the truth preached

On Sundays we hear God's word preached and as we listen well we trust that God is changing us in the moment. Use these questions to further explore the truth that was taught.

1. How does this passage help us understand the discouragements & fears that we face?
2. What can we learn about the relationship between prayer and personal responsibility?
3. Why is it important to have a clear knowledge of our God as revealed in the Bible?

Questions to help your group apply the truth preached

When applied, God's Word will enable us to love God and to love others. These questions will help your group apply the truth understood in a way that leads to transformed lives.

1. Which of the enemy tactics in this passage have you experienced recently?
2. Why is it important to understand that the difficulties we face often have a spiritual root?
3. What might 'setting a guard' against enemy attacks look like in your life?

Questions to help your group dig deeper

Having understood the truth preached, and explored how it can be applied to your lives why not dig a little deeper and ask your group the following questions:

1. How might you & I expand our knowledge & understanding of God's greatness?
2. How can we become more alert to satan's strategies?
3. What might a sounding of the trumpet be for us?