

Are Your Prayers BIG Enough 2-22- 2026

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Nehemiah's Prayer

1. Nehemiah's Prayer was a BIG Prayer
2. His Prayer was a Prayer of Repentance - for an entire Nation
3. His Prayer was a Prayer of Exaltation / Praise
4. His Prayer was a Prayer of Remembrance
5. His Prayer was a Prayer of Petition
6. Nehemiah was a Cupbearer - a Servant to the King

Are Your Prayers BIG Enough - Why don't we pray BIGGER prayers like Nehemiah did?

1. We don't Believe in God
2. We don't Think God is BIG Enough
 - a. 8.2 Billion people on planet earth. He knows every name. He even knows the DNA of the smallest cell within all 8.2 Billion.

- b. Psalm 147:4 He counts the number of the stars; He calls them all by name.
- c. Psalm 139:1-18 A Psalm of David referencing How BIG God is
- 3. We don't have Big Faith
 - a. Everyone has a measure of Faith - you have all the Faith you need!
 - b. It takes the same amount of Faith to move a mountain as it does to ask God to heal a cut or child's "booboo"
 - c. It takes the same amount of Faith to see Lakeside at 200 as it does to see the Sanctuary filled several times over every weekend.
 - d. Faith is a gift of God - Ephesians 2:8
 - e. God has given everyone a "Measure of Faith" Romans 12;3
 - f. We must exercise our Faith. Faith is strengthened (the seed of Faith comes alive) as we Hear and Apply the Word of God!
- 4. We don't include The Word in our Prayers (Petitions to God)
 - a. If we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. I John 5:14-15 ASV
 - b. How do we know the Will of God? READ, LISTEN TO, HEAR the Word.

Nehemiah's Prayer - a Bold Petition containing other elements of Prayer

1. Prayer of Praise
2. Prayer of Repentance
3. Prayer of Intercession
4. Prayer of Remembrance
5. Prayer of Petition
 - a. A Petition is a legal request - utilizing and relying on the law
 - b. Petition definition - to make or present a formal request to (an authority) with respect to a particular cause - Verb. A formal written request typically signed by many people, appealing to authority with respect to a particular cause - noun.
 - c. The Petition is taken into a Court Room
 - d. Prior to the Petition taken into the Court Room, the Petition is usually made public. In ancient days the petition was often nailed to a tree in the center of town for all to read.
 - e. The Court Room of heaven is a King's Court - Not a Judge's

Court as we might think of in America

f. Any accusers or opposers also had access to the court room.

g. In the Court Room the King made the decision and it was Decreed as Final

Nehemiah the Cupbearer

1. Not a Theologian - Everyday man with a BIG Prayer
2. His Position afforded him close proximity to the King
3. His job was to taste the wine or drink of the King before the King drank from the cup to ensure the King would not be poisoned.
4. He was not a child of the King - not even related
5. You and I are Children of the King
 - a. Heirs and joint heirs - Romans 8:16-17
 - b. God will take care of you - Matthew 6:30
 - c. Our Heavenly Father wants to do as much (even more) than our earthly Father Matthew 7:7-11

Begin Praying BIG Prayers Today!