

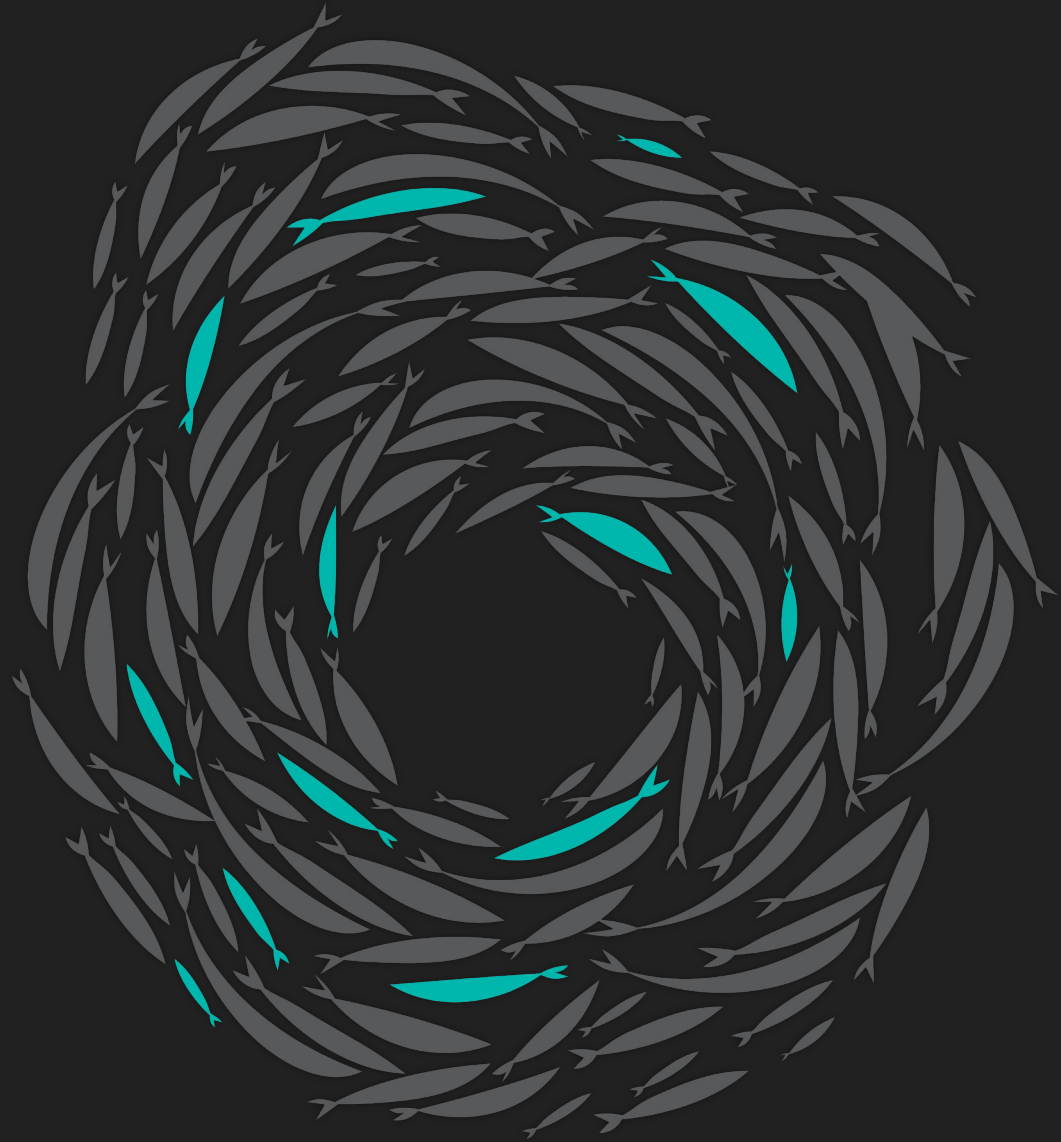
The Perfect Opportunity Chosen By the Pool

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Season 2 Sermon Series Overview

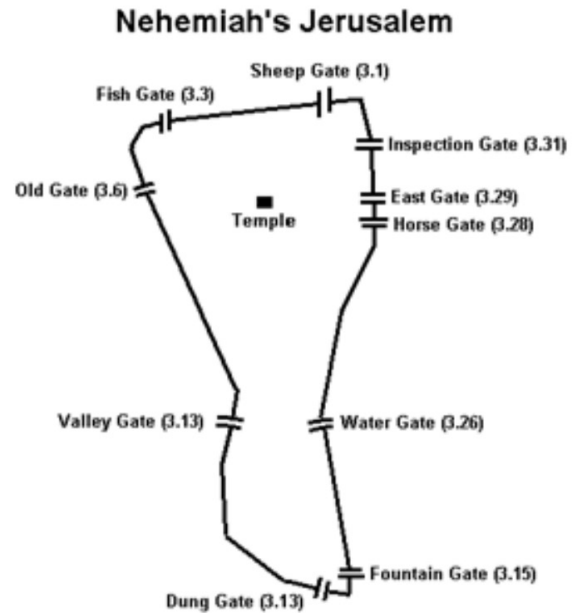
- Lesson 1: Thunder
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John 5:1-17

1 After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

2 Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Aramaic called Bethesda, which has five roofed colonnades. 3 In these lay a multitude of invalids—blind, lame, and paralyzed. (c) [Some manuscripts insert, wholly or in part, waiting for the moving of the water; 4 for an angel of the Lord went down at certain seasons into the pool, and stirred the water: whoever stepped in first after the stirring of the water was healed of whatever disease he had.]



- There were 10 gates mentioned in the rebuilding of the walls.
 - Sheep Gate
 - Fish Gate
 - Old Gate
 - Valley Gate
 - Dung Gate
 - Fountain Gate
 - Water Gate
 - iix. Horse Gate
 - ix. East Gate
 - x. Inspection Gate

Nehemiah's Jerusalem 560 -ish BC

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13 Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, as there was a crowd in the place. 14 Afterward Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, “See, you are well! Sin no more, that nothing worse may happen to you.”

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FAITH IN A FAULTY POOL

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FAITH IN THE FAITHFUL PERSON - JESUS

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Applications

- Do you want to be healed? If so . . .
- Get REAL with yourself and God
 - Remember
 - Explore
 - Ask
 - Listen