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- What is going to keep me going to go from where I am today to be more like Jesus?

Nehemiah 9:6

“You are the LORD, you alone. You have made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth and all that is on it, the seas and all that is in them; and you preserve all of them; and the host of heaven worships you. You are the LORD...



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- How do I respond to this God in the midst of where I find myself?

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- If God never leaves me then why do I feel so alone?

Hebrews 13:5-6

Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, “I will never leave you nor forsake you.” So we can confidently say,

“The Lord is my helper;
I will not fear;
what can man do to me?”



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- How good are my listening skills to the voice of Jesus?

John 10:3-4

To him the gatekeeper opens. The sheep hear his voice, and he calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, *for they know his voice.*



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- In my moments of crisis to whom do I go for security and to share my needs?

Nehemiah 9:28

But after they had rest they did evil again before you, and you abandoned them to the hand of their enemies, so that they had dominion over them. Yet when they turned and cried to you, you heard from heaven, and many times you delivered them according to your mercies.



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- Have I embraced His forgiveness to forgive myself?

Nehemiah 9:33

Yet you have been righteous in all that has come upon us, for you have dealt faithfully and we have acted wickedly. Our kings, our princes, our priests, and our fathers have not kept your law or paid attention to your commandments and your warnings that you gave them.



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Where did the Jews find themselves after 80 years of being back in the Promise Land?

Ne. 9: 36-37 Behold, we are slaves this day; in the land that you gave to our fathers to enjoy its fruit and its good gifts, behold, we are slaves. And its rich yield goes to the kings whom you have set over us because of our sins. They rule over our bodies and over our livestock as they please, and we are in great distress.



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How were they going to move forward from where they found themselves?

- Nehemiah 10:1-27 list of 99 names – *unified* based upon who God is and His promises.

Nehemiah 10:28 Unified to walk together

“The rest of the people, the priests, the Levites, the gatekeepers, the singers, the temple servants, and all who have separated themselves from the peoples of the lands to the Law of God, their wives, their sons, their daughters, all who have knowledge and understanding, join with their brothers, their nobles, and enter into a curse and an oath to walk in God's Law that was given by Moses the servant of God, and to observe and do all the commandments of the Lord our Lord and his rules and his statutes.



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