

Cooperating For A Common Cause: God's Glory

A Series Of Studies From Nehemiah

Nehemiah's Reaction To Overwhelming News: Patient Preparation & Powerful Prayer

—Nehemiah 1:1–2:10

—**Nehemiah 1:4** “When I heard these words, I sat down and wept and mourned for days; and I was fasting and praying before the God of Heaven.”

Some Important Info Introducing this study:

—***Who is Nehemiah?***

The cupbearer for the King = very powerful & prestigious position who protected the King by making sure his food & drink were safe.

He was a Jewish man who was probably born in Persia after the exile.

—***Why study Nehemiah?***

This book provides us with an example of an ordinary person who stood out & stood up as a godly leader who stood against the evil that was holding back the Jewish people from bringing glory to God.

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① An ***extraordinary report*** about Jerusalem {Nehemiah 1:1–3}

② An ***emotional reaction*** from Nehemiah {Nehemiah 1:4}

③ An ***example of reverence & respect*** for God {Nehemiah 1:5–11}

④ An ***expressed request*** for the king from Nehemiah {Nehemiah 2:1–8}

⑤ An ***effort to restrict*** Nehemiah's plans {Nehemiah 2:9–10}

Applications & Life Lessons

—1— Am I paying attention to God or am I listening to the crowd?
What burdens has God placed on my heart?
Do they motivate me toward prayer?

—2— Are my prayers filled with heart felt desires for God's glory?

—3— Am I ready to go & do what God lays on my heart?

—4— How often do I confess and repent in my prayers?