

Series from Nehemiah

# WAITING ON GOD'S TIMING

Lessons from the Book of Nehemiah (Part #3)

Sunday Morning:10:30 amScripture Reading:Nehemiah 2: 1-10

Sunday: Feb 9, 2014 Speaker: Brent Hunter

#### Introduction:

- A. When we think we know God's will, it is hard to **w**\_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Bible examples are Sarah and M\_\_\_\_\_ (Acts 7:25)!

### I. GOD OPENS THE DOOR. NEHEMIAH IS READY (Neh 2: 1-2)!

- A. Why are you sad? Nehemiah was sore **a**\_\_\_\_(Neh 2:2). *WHY*?
  - 1. This was an insult and dangerous (Esther 4:16).
  - 2. He was asking the king to reverse himself (Ezra 4:11-23)!
- B. At the key moment Nehemiah says, "I prayed to the God of heaven."
  - 1. This was a short, silent **a**\_\_\_\_\_prayer.
  - 2. Nehemiah walks through the door and requests three things:
    - a. Change your order (2:5)! b. Provide provision (2:8).
    - c. Provide **p**\_\_\_\_\_. (2:8-9).
  - 3. God's "gracious hand" was upon them (Neh 2:9b)!

### **II. REVIVAL & BUILDING DEMANDED HE WALK THROUGH THE DOOR!**

A. PRAYER IS **F**\_\_\_\_\_ EMPLOYED.

- 1. God "turns the king's heart" (Prov 21:1).
- 2. Too often the problem is that OUR GOD IS TOO **S**\_\_\_\_\_.
- B. P\_\_\_\_\_ IS FAITH EVIDENCED.

C. PREPARATION IS FAITH E\_\_\_\_\_.

- 1. Faith is not a substitute for careful p\_\_\_\_\_.
- 2. What will you do when God opens a door for you?
- **III. EVERY OPPORTUNITY BRINGS OPPOSITION** (Neh 2:10).

**Conclusion**: The **d**\_\_\_\_\_ will always oppose positive change. Will *you* be ready?

## **ANSWERS:**

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