



**“Cast the VISION! Come TOGETHER!
Count on GOD!”**



m o s A i c L A W!

previous teaching, Week 1

“Tithe” – Israel’s honor System!

Responsibility! Requirement! Response!

n e w t e s t A m e n t

Dispensation – “Jesus Christ!”

Responsibility! Requirement! Response!



mosaic Law!

previous teaching, Week 1

I. The Tithe — Israel's Honor System!

- a. Mosaic Law . . . “Historical Context of the Tithe!”
 - i. God's Mandate – Israel's Responsibility; Requirement & Response!”
- b. NT Application . . . “Law & Tithe Fulfilled in Jesus!”
 - i. Christ's Mandate – “Offering; Generosity & Proportional Giving!”



new testament

Dispensation – “Jesus Christ!”

With Christ Death, Jesus Fulfilled the Ceremonial Law
for the Tithe on the Cross!

Through Christ & the Cross, the NT Church is Under
the Dispensation Age of Grace (Divine Appointed New
Order)!

There is no Commandment in the NT, for Christ
Followers to Give a Tithe or Tenth!



new testament

NT Application — generosity:

“The NT Church has a “Greater Gospel Work” to Do & Accomplish Than Israel’s Dispensation Period . . . The NT Church has a “Greater Responsibility, Requirement & Response:”

Mission & Kingdom Work!

Responsibility! Requirement! Response!



Spiritual Journey Series

previous Teaching, Week II

The Believers At Phillippi

“nt model – gospel generosity”

Biblical

principles of

giving

Philippians 4: 14 - 20

Cast the Vision! Come Together! Count on God!



The Believers At philippi

“nt model — gospel generosity”

previous Teaching, Week II

I. Believers at Phillippi — Model for NT Generosity!

a. How God Finances . . . “GOSPEL (Kingdom) Work!”

i. Every-Member-Sacrifice – “Bountiful Income; Low Income; Fixed Income & NO Income (Consumers)!”

ii. Biblical Applications – “Spiritual & Eternal Outcomes!”

Responsibility! Requirement! Response!





The Believers At philippi

“nt model — gospel generosity!”

Philippians 4: 14 - 16

“You have **Done Well** to Share with Me in my Difficulty.
You Yourself also know, Philippians, that at the **First**
Preaching of the Gospel, after I left Macedonia, **No Church**
Shared with Me in the **Matter of Giving and Receiving**
Except You Alone; for even in Thessalonica **You Sent a Gift**
More than Once for My Needs.”

Responsibility! Requirement! Response!



Spiritual Journey Series

previous Teaching, Week III

A well planned & Blessed project

“The TABERNACLE!”

Exodus 35: 4 - 29

Responsibility! Requirement! Response!



A Well planned & Blessed project

“The TABernacle!”

previous teaching, Week III

I. A Well Planned/Blessed Project – The Tabernacle!

a. God’s Planned Way . . . “Funding His Projects/Ministry!”

i. Open-Hearted Generosity – “Willing & Stirred Hearts!”

ii. Theme, All Together – “Lessons from Israel!”

Responsibility! Requirement! Response!



INSIDE THE TEMPLE

(Cutaway view)

1. Holy of Holies
2. Ark
3. Veil
4. Altar of Incense
5. Lampstand (Menorah)
6. Holy Place
7. Table of Shewbread
8. Outer Veil

TEMPLE COVERINGS AND CURTAINS

9. Outer covering of badger skins
10. Covering of Ram's skin dyed red
11. Curtain of goat's hair
12. Curtain of fine linen

god's plan! his
work! his purpose!

Size comparison
(approximate):



Court of the
Tabernacle

Entrance
Curtain

the TABERNACLE

This portable temple was built in the wilderness by the Israelites circa 1450 BC after they were freed from Egyptian slavery. The Tabernacle was the first temple dedicated to God and the first resting place of the Ark of the Covenant. It served as a place of worship and sacrifices during the Israelites' 40 years in the desert while conquering the land of Canaan.

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A well planned & Blessed project

“the TABERNACLE!”

Those Whose **Hearts** Were **Stirred** and of a
Willing Spirit!

Those — **Wealthy & Bountiful** Income!

Those — **Low** Income

Those — **Fixed** Income

Those — **Did Not Support!**

Responsibility! Requirement! Response!





A Well planned & Blessed project “implement & follow the plan!”

- ✝ **GOD** Requisitioned Moses to Lead the Plan!
- ✝ **GOD** Laid Out the **Purpose & Plan** to Moses!
- ✝ **GOD** had Moses Assemble Israel, Explain the Plan & Call Them to **Fulfill His Plan** for the Tabernacle; Not Equal **GIFTS** but an Equal **SACRIFICE**!
- ✝ **GOD** Supplied Israel a Complete **Inventory List** for the Project!





A Well planned & Blessed project

“implement & follow the plan!”

✝ **GOD** Had Already Supplied the **Funds & Resources** for the Israelites — the Resources Came from Him — He **Owens the Cattle on a Thousand Hills!** The Earth is the Lord's & Everyone & Everything in it!!!

✝ **GOD** had Already Supplied/Placed the **Gifts, Talents & Skills** within Israel to Accomplish His Project!

Responsibility! Requirement! Response!





A Well planned & Blessed project

“implement & follow the plan!”

✝ **GOD** Had Already **Touched & Stirred the Hearts & Spirit** of Those Who Would Follow & Fulfill His Building Project!

God had the Israelites **Put it all in His Hand** . . .
Israel Gave **Exceedingly & Abundantly MORE** than
was Needed to Build the Tabernacle!

Responsibility! Requirement! Response!





A Well planned & Blessed project

“Lessons from Israel:”

- ✝ **Practiced All Together!** United, Agreed & Spiritual Alignment! Did Not Allow Disunity or Division!
- ✝ **Practiced Imitating the Heart of God!** Personal Self-Sacrifice!
- ✝ **Practiced Consistent & Diligent Prayer!** Kept the Work Before the Lord!

Responsibility! Requirement! Response!





A Well planned & Blessed project

“Lessons from Israel:”

- ✝ **Practiced Complete Faith/Trust in God!** Partnered w/ God . . . No Fear; Doubt & No Hesitation!
- ✝ **Practiced Immediate Obedience!** Promptly Went Home & Sat Before the Lord w/Their Finances; Prayed & Asked God What He Wanted Them to Give!
- ✝ **Practiced Open Hearted Generosity!** Joy, Excitement & Eagerness — Put God’s Plans ahead of their own!





Spiritual Journey Series

today's teaching, Week IV

A SWORD & TROWEL:
how to Build & fight!

Nehemiah 1; 2; 4:1 - 23

Responsibility! Requirement! Response!

A SWORD & Trowel:
how to Build & fight!

Nehemiah 4:17





A Sword & Trowel:

“how to Build & fight!” today’s teaching, Week IV

I. A Sword & Trowel — “How to Build & Fight!”

- a. Nehemiah’s Leadership . . . The “Gifted Leader” in Him!
 - i. Moses & Nehemiah — “It’s GOD’s Spirit!”
- b. God’s Word & Work . . . Always a “COST!”
 - i. Opposition & Adversity — “One Spirit/One Fight!”
 - ii. Israel’s Resolve — “Active Faith & Mind to Work!”





A SWORD & TROWEL:

Biblical Anchors

Nehemiah 6: 1 - 3

“When **Sanballat, Tobiah, Geshem** the Arab, and the rest of our **Enemies** heard that I had built the wall and that there was no breach left in it, although at that time I had not set up the doors in the gates, **Sanballat and Geshem** sent to me, saying, **Come, let us meet . . .**

Responsibility! Requirement! Response!





A SWORD & TROWEL:

Biblical Anchors

Nehemiah 6: 1 - 3

“ . . . together in one of the villages in the plain of Ono. **But they intended to do me harm.** And I sent messengers to them, saying, I am ‘doing a **Great Work and Cannot Come Down.**’ Why should the **Work Stop** while I Leave to Come Down to you?”

Responsibility! Requirement! Response!





A SWORD & TROWEL:

Biblical Anchors

Ephesians 6:18

“Put on the **Whole Armour of God**, Everything the **Master** has Set Out For You, **Well-made Weapons** of the Best Materials, so You can Successfully **Fight** Against all the devil’s **Methods of Attack!**”

Responsibility! Requirement! Response!





A SWORD & Trowel:

“how to Build & fight!”

“More than A Building project:”

- ✍ Represented a **Spiritual Revival & Renewal** for Israel!
- ✍ The Wall Symbolized **Protection** & the **Restoration** of **Israel's Identity** as God's Chosen People!
- ✍ As God's Chosen People, the Nation of Israel, Would **Never Suffer Permanent Defeat** ... by her Rebellion or Enemies — Lead to Jesus Christ & the Cross!





A SWORD & Trowel:

“how to Build & fight!”

“Moses & Nehemiah — gifted Leaders”

Reflection of God's Spirit:

Numbers 11: 17

“I will **Take some of My Spirit** from You and **Place it on Them** so that they can Help You with the **Burden of this People**. Then You won't have to Carry the **Burden** All Alone.”





A SWORD & Trowel:

“how to Build & fight!”

“gifted Leader” in Nehemiah — god’s Spirit:

- ➡ **Favored Cupbearer (Butler)** in the Persian Royal Court Administration for King Artaxerxes!
- ➡ **Gifted Leader** — Solicited God to use Him!
- ➡ **Faithful** — Loved & Cared for Israel & Jerusalem!
- ➡ **Prayer Life** — Key to His Success & Relationship w/God!
- ➡ **Full of Faith & Courage** — Not Afraid!





A SWORD & Trowel:

“how to Build & fight!”

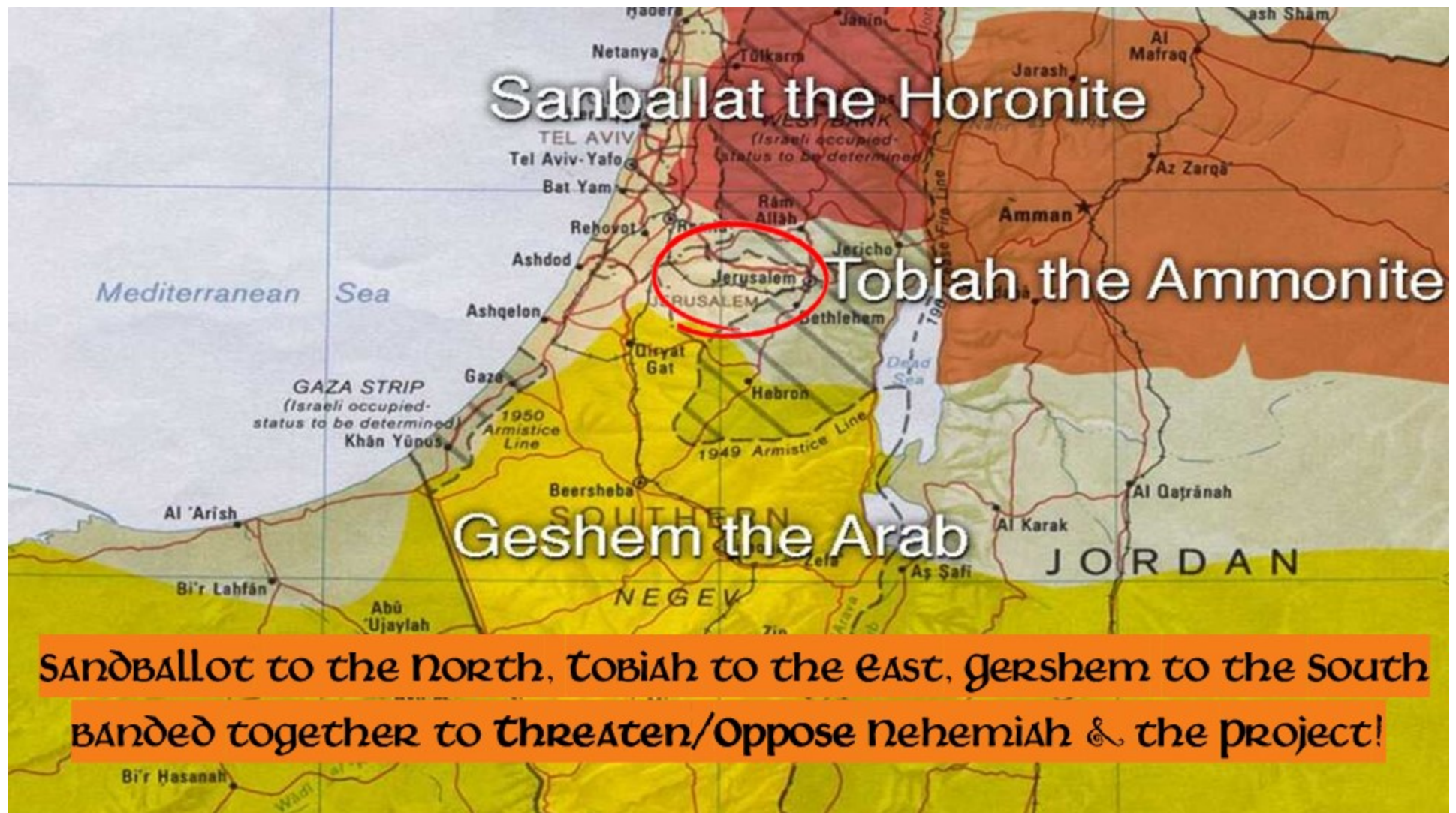
“gifted Leader” in Nehemiah — god’s Spirit:

- ➡ **Resourceful** — Vision & Organizational Skills!
- ➡ **Energy & Passion** — Contagious Spirit; Israel Followed!
- ➡ **Serious** — Did Not Waste His Gift & Calling!
- ➡ **Servant Leader** — Example & Doer!
- ➡ **Was Not the First Leader** — See Israel’s Condition!

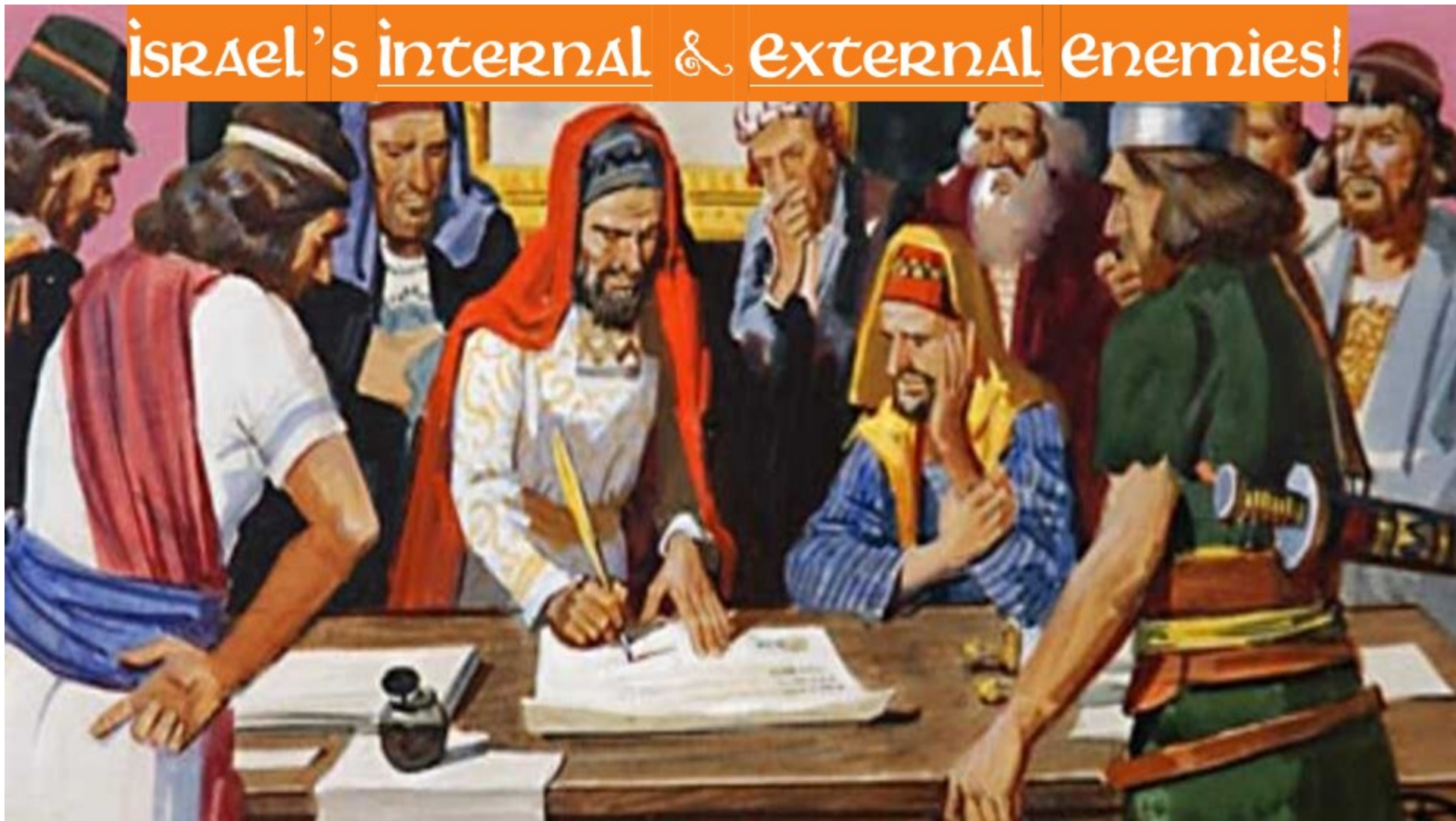


Nehemiah's Survey of the Ruins in Jerusalem!

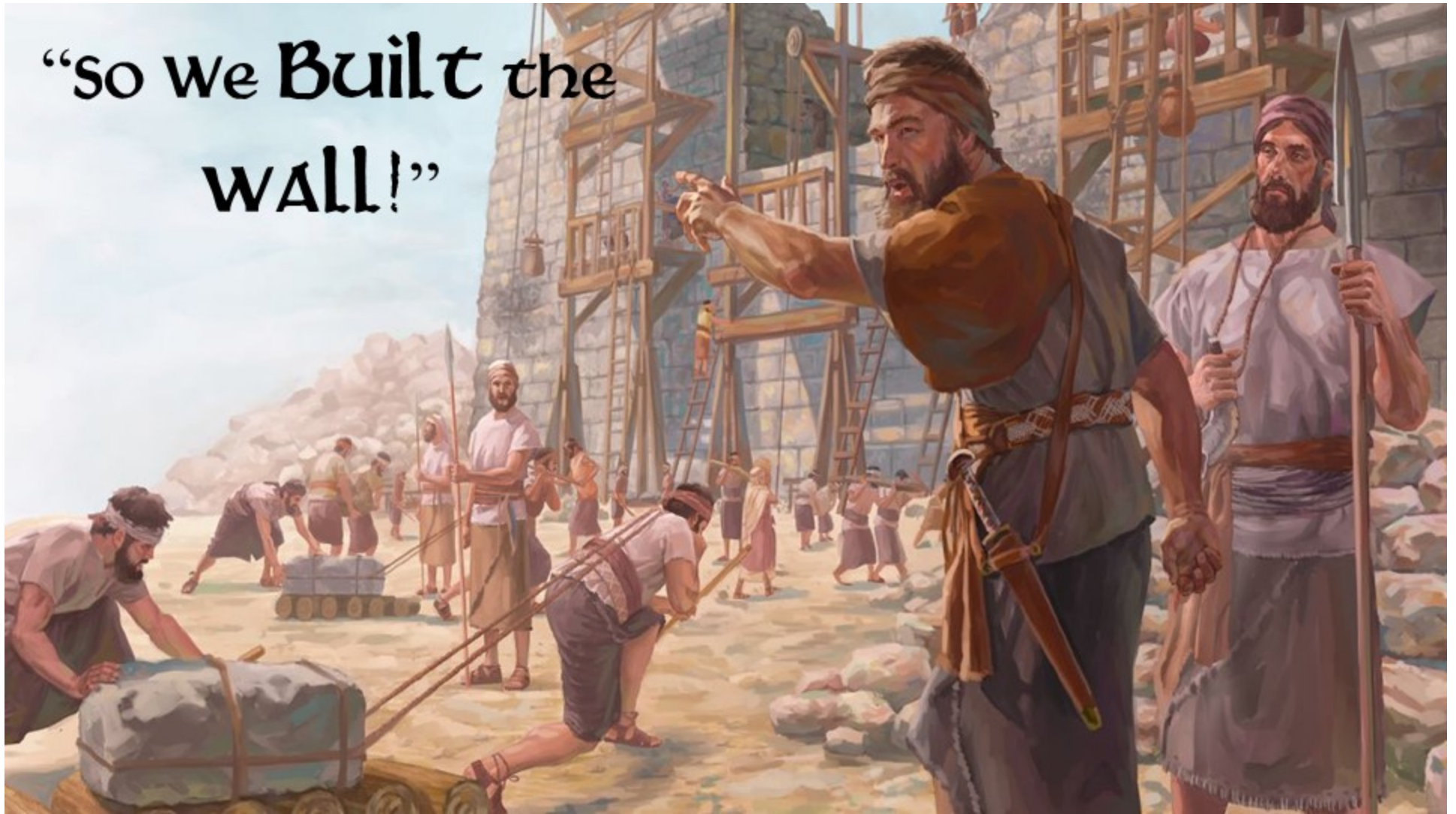




israel's internal & external enemies!



“so we Built the
wall!”





A SWORD & Trowel:

“how to Build & fight!”

Israel's Active Faith — “Mind to Work:”
followed the **Spirit of god** in Nehemiah

Stirred Hearts & a Willing Spirit:

Single, Equal Sacrifice; **Single** Unity – All Together!
Single Praying Spirit! **Single** Faith & Trust! **Single**
Followership! **Single** Focus! **Single** Energy & Passion!
Single Diligence, Hard work & Perseverance!





A SWORD & Trowel:

“how to Build & fight!”

ISRAEL'S Active Faith — “Mind to Work:”

“There are but **Two Powers** in the world, the **Sword** and the **Mind**. In the long run the **Sword** is always **Defeated** by the **Mind**.”

napoleon Bonaparte

Responsibility! Requirement! Response!



A SWORD & Trowel:
how to Build & fight!

Nehemiah 4:17





A SWORD & Trowel:

“how to Build & fight!”

Nehemiah Successfully Led the Wall
project — Restoration & Revival of Israel!

- † Israel Demonstrated an Active Faith & Mind to Work!
- † Israel Demonstrated Unity, Courage, Sacrifice & Perseverance! Israel Prayed with Nehemiah!
- † Israel Followed God's Spirit in Nehemiah!

Responsibility! Requirement! Response!





A SWORD & Trowel:

“how to Build & fight!”

Lessons from Nehemiah & Israel!

Deuteronomy 3: 22

“Do Not **Fear Them**, for the **LORD Your God**
is the One **Fighting** for You!”

Responsibility! Requirement! Response!





A SWORD & Trowel:

“how to Build & fight!”

Lessons from Nehemiah & Israel!

Philippians 2: 13

“It is God Who is at Work in You, Giving You the Will and the Power to Achieve His Purpose!”

Responsibility! Requirement! Response!





A SWORD & Trowel:

“how to Build & fight!”

Lessons from Nehemiah & Israel!

Hebrews 10: 24

“Let us Consider One Another to How to Provoke
One Another to Love and Good Works.”

Responsibility! Requirement! Response!





A SWORD & TROWEL:

“how to Build & fight!”

Lessons from Nehemiah & Israel —
PRAY FOR:

- ✝ The Leadership — Vision, Mission & God’s Guiding!
- ✝ All Together — Unity in our Purpose!
- ✝ Diligence — Perseverance & Commitment!
- ✝ Prepared to Fight — Confront All Opposition w/
Courage!





A SWORD & Trowel:

“how to Build & fight!”

Lessons from Nehemiah & Israel —
PRAY FOR:

- ✝ Faith in Action — Mind to Work!
- ✝ Devoted to Prayer — Our Major Weapon!
- ✝ Truth Speak — Stand Firm on the Word of God!
- ✝ Celebrate Victories — Throughout the Journey!





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LAUNCH — J E R E M I A H PROJECT

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“Jeremiah project – Sp. Journey Series!”

Learning Obj . . . This Series

The NT Church is in a Different **Dispensation** Than **OT Israel**: . . . God **Rescued** Israel, Told Them to be a Holy Nation Motivated by Love: God Gave Israel the **Tithe** as a **Requirement; Responsibility & Response** in Return for His Blessings! . . . In the NT, God Gave **His Son** to Die for the Sin of the World; Christ Delivered & Freed YOU from **Sin, Death & an . . .**





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Learning Obj . . . This Series

. . . **Eternal Hell!** God Required Israel to Keep Herself from **Contamination** by the Pagan Nations as a **Witness**:

The NT Church is Required to **GO** — Infect the Pagan World **w/Jesus Christ**; **GO** — Make/Teach **Disciples**; Visit the **Sick**; Care for/Feed the **Homeless**; Overcome **satan & Evil!** . . . God Gave the NT Church “**Greater Works**” Which Requires **Generosity** Beyond a “**Tithe!**”





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powerpoint (W) Key . . . This Series

Everything You Have in Life belongs to God; For Everything He has done, God Implemented an **Honor System** of **Giving/Generosity** for the OT Israelites & NT Church: . . . Within the Framework of God’s **Honor System**, **Generosity** is Directly Correlated to Your **“Heart; Love & Discipleship — Your Sp. Growth!”** . . . In God’s **Honor System** Your Sp. Growth Will . . .





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powerpoint (w) Key . . . This Series

. . . Affect Your **Generosity** — in Addition, Your **Generosity** will be Compelled by the **Holy Spirit!**

Generosity is Not a **Tip** You Give to God Monthly —
God is not a **Tip Collector** . . . You Cannot Give God
What is **NOT Yours** — You Can Only Bring it & Place
in God’s Treasury! **Generosity** is Tethered to Your
“**Heart; Love & Discipleship** — to Jesus Christ!”





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Big Question(s) . . . This Series

If God took Your Giving, Multiplied it by 10 & made that Amount Your Monthly Income, Would You be Fine with That? For Example if You Gave God \$150 Monthly X 10, Your Earnings Would be \$1,500 – Would That Meet Your Needs?

What if You Only Gave God \$150 **Four X's** for the Entire Year, Would That Meet Your Needs?





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Big Question(s) . . . This Series

Just **Imagine** What the Impact Would be — How the **Kingdom of God** Could Advance & Reach the World for Christ . . . if Every Member — “If You Gave” **Sacrificially, Generously & Cheerfully?**

What is the Reflex—Conversation You Have with Yourself, about **Stewardship & Giving** to the Church?

Responsibility! Requirement! Response!

