The Setup Against a Setback

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Text: Nehemiah 4

One of the sharpest knives in Satan's drawer is discouragement

Read Nehemiah 4:7-11

Our focus today: how to setup against a setback

I. THE CURSE OF DISCOURAGEMENT

Read Nehemiah 4:10

II. THE CAUSE OF DISCOURAGEMENT

A. Constant tiredness (Ref Nehemiah 4:10)

The most dangerous time of a work is halfway

B. Clutter of <u>trash</u>

"Life is hard by the yard. Life's a cinch by the inch."

C. Control of terror (Ref Nehemiah 4:11)

When we are overtaken with fear, the devil moves in for the kill.

D. Consistent trouble (Ref Nehemiah 4:12)

Discouragement coming within the camp: it's devastating

Things Nehemiah could have done: 1) nothing 2) panic 3) fear

III. THE CURE OF DISCOURAGEMENT

Read Nehemiah 4:9

6 Steps Nehemiah took to cure discouragement

- 1. He <u>armed</u> his people (ref Neh 4:13)
- 2. He <u>assured</u> his people (ref Neh 4:14 / Isaiah 26:3-4)
- 3. He <u>aroused</u> his people (ref Neh 4:14)
- 4. He <u>applied</u> his people (ref Neh 4:15, 16-18)
- 5. He <u>assembled</u> his people (ref Neh 4:19-20)
- 6. He <u>admonished</u> his people (ref <u>Neh 4:21-23</u> / <u>1 Corinthians 15:58</u>)