

Building a Bridge, not a Ditch

Nehemiah 3-4

God equips us to build His Kingdom in the midst of worldly adversity.

God's Kingdom will be built through;

1. the gifts and opportunities He provides us. 3:1-32, Romans 12:3-8, 1 Corinthians 12:7, 14:12
2. the schemes of enemies He allows around us. 4:1-3, 10-12, Job 1:12, 1 Peter 5:8, Genesis 50:20
3. the perseverance He establishes in us. 4:4-23, Colossians 1:23, Romans 2:7
 - a. prayer
 - b. hard work
 - c. encouragement
 - d. godly leadership

fear not, for I am with you;
be not dismayed, for I am your God;
I will strengthen you, I will help you,
I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.
~Isaiah 41:10~

Any man can work when every stroke of his hands brings down the fruit rattling from the tree
but to labor in season and out of season, under every discouragement...
that requires a heroism which is transcendent.

~Henry Ward Beecher~

1813 – 1887 , an American Congregational Minister who fought viciously for the abolition of slavery. His rhetorical focus on the love of Christ has influenced mainstream Christianity through the 21st century.