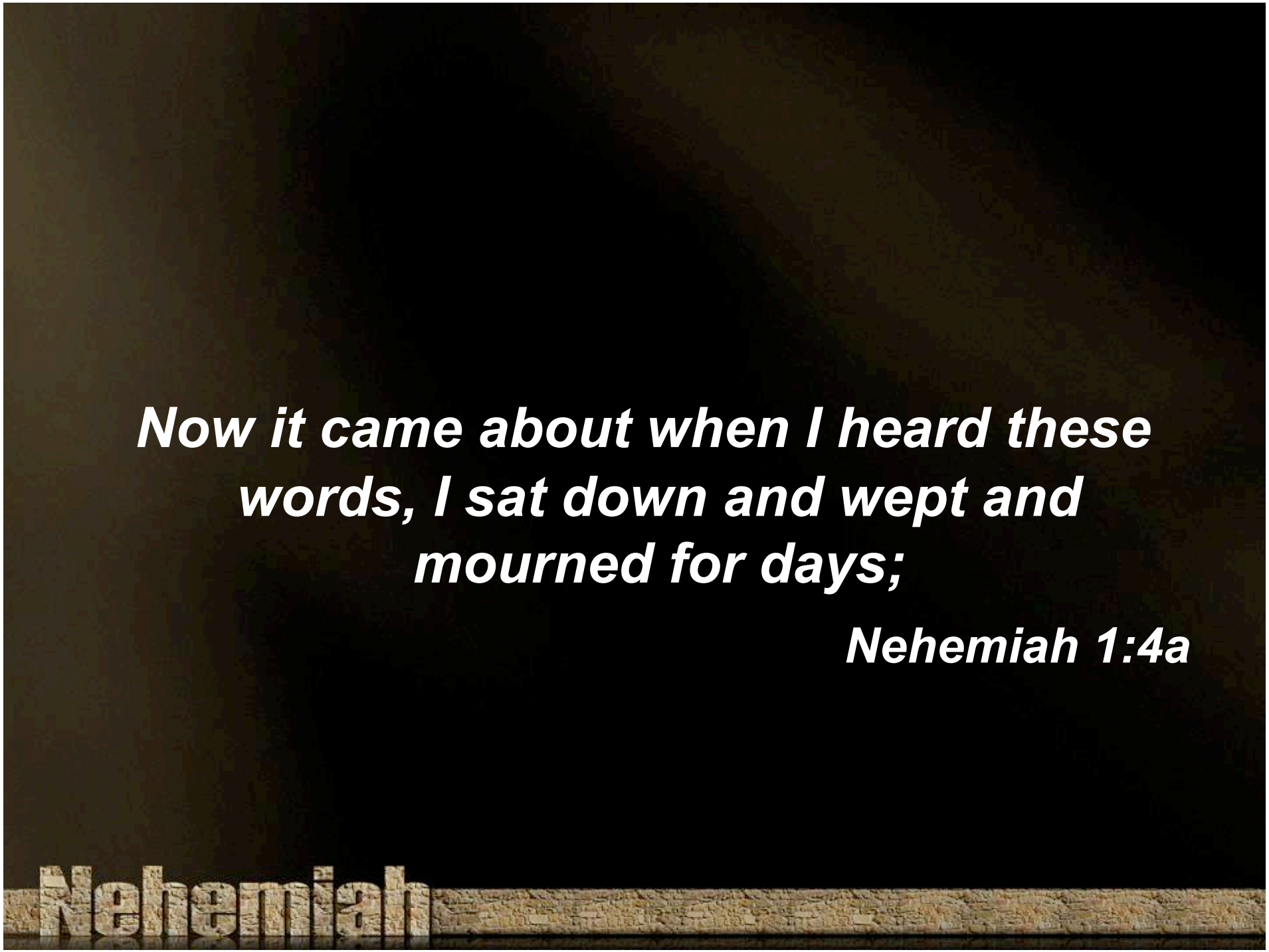

They said to me, "The remnant there in the province who survived the captivity are in great distress and
reproach, and the wall of Jerusalem is broken down and its gates are burned with fire." When I heard
these words, I sat down and wept and mourned for days; and I was fasting and praying before the God
of heaven. I said, "I beseech You, O LORD God of heaven, the great and awesome God, who preserves
the covenant and lovingkindness for those who love Him and keep His commandments, let Your ear now
be attentive and Your eyes open to hear the prayer of Your servant which I am praying before You now,
day and night, on behalf of the sons of Israel Your servants, confessing the sins of the sons of Israel
which we have sinned against You; I and my father's house have sinned. " We have acted very corruptly
against You and have not kept the commandments, nor the statutes, nor the ordinances which You
Nehemiah
Come Let Us Rebuild.

Moving the Hand of God

Nehemiah 1: 4-11

Effectively grabbing hold of the will of God

Nehemiah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Nehemiah

1st Step

Care about what God cares about



and I was fasting and praying before the God of heaven

Nehemiah 4b



2nd Step

Call on God



And I said, "I beseech Thee, O LORD God of heaven, the great and awesome God, who preserves the covenant and lovingkindness for those who love Him and keep His commandments, 6 let Thine ear now be attentive and Thine eyes open to hear the prayer of Thy servant which I am praying before Thee now, day and night, on behalf of the sons of Israel Thy servants, confessing the sins of the sons of Israel which we have sinned against Thee; I and my father's house have sinned. 7 "We have acted very corruptly against Thee and have not kept the commandments, nor the statutes, nor the ordinances which Thou didst command Thy servant Moses.

Nehemiah 1: 5-7

Nehemiah

3rd Step

Confess (agree with) God's judgment



8 "Remember the word which Thou didst command Thy servant Moses, saying, 'If you are unfaithful I will scatter you among the peoples; 9 but if you return to Me and keep My commandments and do them, though those of you who have been scattered were in the most remote part of the heavens, I will gather them from there and will bring them to the place where I have chosen to cause My name to dwell.'

Nehemiah 1:8, 9

Nehemiah

4th Step

Count on God's promises



10 "And they are Thy servants and Thy people whom Thou didst redeem by Thy great power and by Thy strong hand. 11 "O Lord, I beseech Thee, may Thine ear be attentive to the prayer of Thy servant and the prayer of Thy servants who delight to revere Thy name, and make Thy servant successful today, and grant him compassion before this man." Now I was the cupbearer to the king

Nehemiah 1: 10 -11

Nehemiah

5th Step

Speak to God's heart



To Move the Hand of God

- **Care about what God cares about**
- **Call on God**
- **Confess (agree with) God's judgment**
- **Count on God's promises**
- **Speak to God's heart**

Nehemiah