

REBUILDING THE BROKEN PLACES IN YOUR LIFE

A STUDY OF NEHEMIAH

#3: REMEMBER THAT YOU ARE NOT ALONE

NEHEMIAH 3:1-32

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I. WHAT IS TEAMWORK?

The definition of teamwork is combined efforts, or the actions of a group, to achieve a common purpose or goal.

Your Dictionary

Teamwork is the ability to work together toward a common vision. The ability to direct individual accomplishments toward organizational objectives. It is the fuel that allows common people to attain uncommon results.

Andrew Carnegie

II. WHY IS TEAMWORK SO IMPORTANT?

1. We can accomplish much more together than working apart

Two people are better than one, because they get more done by working together. If one falls down, the other can help him up. But it is bad for the person who is alone and falls, because no one is there to help. If two lie down together, they will be warm, but a person alone will not be warm. An enemy might defeat one person, but two people together can defend themselves; a rope that is woven of three strings is hard to break.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 (NCV)

T – Together E – Everyone A – Achieves M - More

2. We need each other's support, encouragement, and help

He [Christ] makes the whole body grow and build itself up in love. Under the control of Christ, each part of the body does its work. It supports the other parts. In that way, the body is joined and held together.

Ephesians 4:16 (NIRV)

III. HOW CAN A TEAM HELP ME REBUILD? – NEHEMIAH 3:1-32

1. Decide that I will do my part (v.1-5; See also 2:18)

Then I [Nehemiah] told them about how the gracious hand of God had been on me, and about my conversation with the king. They replied at once, “Yes, let’s rebuild the wall!” So they began the good work.

Nehemiah 2:18 (NLT)

2. Resolve to do what needs to be done – even if it’s outside my “comfort zone” (v.1,8,17)

3. Remember that the goal is more important than our differences (v.2,5,8,14,17)

4. Teach my children the importance of helping others (v.3, 12)

