

FIXER UPPER

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I. Neh 2:11-20

A. V12 - Plan from God

1. “God” put it - WHO started this?

a) God’s agenda - He is the _____ of it then we are _____ to Him

b) Heb 12:2 - Jesus is the Author and the Finisher

2. On my “heart” - WHERE did He put it?

a) We will live with either a desire to be _____ or desire to be _____!

b) God deposits it in the place designed for us to _____ from instead of the place designed to _____ from.

(1) Rom 10:8-10

(2) Mark 16:14

3. I told no one

a) Be careful _____ and _____ you tell what God has put on your heart.

B. V13-16 - Examined the walls and gates

1. Viewed - *sabar* - To scrutinize, inspect, examine.

a) Luke 14:28 28 For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not sit down first and count the cost, whether he has enough to finish it —

2. This will either build _____ or the _____.

C. V17 - Addressing the Situation

1. Distress - *ra* - bad, evil; troubling, bad situation

2. Your _____ situation does not have to be your _____ situation.

a) See (Good) - Recognizing where you are.

(1) Faith is not the _____ of something’s existence or _____ it.

(2) We can get so _____ or used to something that we start accepting it as _____ when it is not supposed to be.

b) See (Bad) - Wrong Focus

(1) What we see should not _____ or _____ what we do or don’t do.

(2) **2 Cor 4:18**

(3) **2 Cor 5:7** 7 For we walk by faith, not by sight.

3. **Come let “us” build the wall**

a) **Reproach** - *cherpah* - Disgrace; the state in which one finds themselves.

(1) God is not _____ by the condition of our situation.

(2) The possibility of rebuilding or not is based on His _____ and not ours alone.

D. **V18** -

1. **Hand of God - Testimony**

a) Your _____ encourages someone else and someone else's _____ encourages you.

(a) **Rev 12:11** 11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death.

2. **Words of the king - God's Promises**

a) **Ps 119:25-28**

(1) **Revive** - *chayah* - To give or regain life

(2) **Strengthen** - *quwm* - To arise, stand up, be fixed, endure.

3. **Rise up** - *quwm* - To arise, stand up, be fixed, endure.

a) **1 Cor 15:57-58**

4. **Build** - *Webster* - To develop according to a systematic plan, by a definite process

5. **Set** - *chazaq* - To be strong, take hold of

E. **V19** - Enemy tactics

1. **Laughed** - *la'ag* - Insult, mock or make fun of

2. **Despised** - *bazah* - To disrespect, hold in contempt, discredit

3. The enemies goal is to _____ you enough to _____.

F. **V20** - Nehemiah's response to the enemy

1. **Prosper** - *tsalach* - To push forward; to advance or succeed; make progress.

a) **Heritage** - *chalet* - Allotment, inheritance, portion or share

b) **Right** - *tsedaqah* - No justice, truthfulness

c) **Memorial** - *zikrown* - Memento, memorable thing