

Worship In The Worry

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Understanding God's Willing During COVID-19, pt 2

Nehemiah 4:7, *But when Sanballat, Tobiah, the Arabs, the Ammonites and the people of Ashdod heard that the repairs to Jerusalem's walls had gone ahead and that the gaps were being closed, they were very angry. 8 They all plotted together to come and fight against Jerusalem and stir up trouble against it.*

Nehemiah 4:9, *But we prayed to our God and posted a guard day and night to meet this threat.*

Nehemiah 4:15, *When our enemies heard that we were aware of their plot and that God had frustrated it, we all returned to the wall, each to our own work. 16 From that day on, half of my men did the work, while the other half were equipped with spears, shields, bows and armor. The officers posted themselves behind all the people of Judah 17 who were building the wall. Those who carried materials did their work with one hand and held a weapon in the other, 18 and each of the builders wore his sword at his side as he worked.*

How Do We Worship In Our Worry?

- We Worship God By **BRINGING OUR WORRIES TO HIM**

Nehemiah 4:9a, *But we prayed to our God...*

- Pray With **THE RIGHT VIEW OF GOD**

Psalms 127:1, *Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labor in vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the guards stand watch in vain.*

- Pray With **THE RIGHT MOTIVES**

- We Worship God By **CONTINUING TO WORK FOR HIM**

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We must depend upon God to do for us what we cannot do for ourselves. We must, to the same degree, depend on Him to enable us to do what we must do for ourselves. – Jerry Bridges

- Work For God, NOT AS IF YOU WERE GOD

Deuteronomy 8:17, *You may say to yourself, “My power and the strength of my hands have produced this wealth for me.” 18 But remember the Lord your God, for it is He Who gives you the ability to produce wealth...*

- EVALUATE Your work

Nehemiah 2:20, *“The God of Heaven will give us success. We His servants will start rebuilding...”*

Nehemiah 6:16, *When all our enemies heard about this, all the surrounding nations were afraid and lost their self-confidence, because they realized that this work had been done with the help of our God.*