



The Gospel According to Nehemiah

The God of the City

1. _____

“The remnant there in the province who had survived the exile is in great trouble and shame ... as soon as I heard these words I sat down and wept.” Nehemiah 1:3-4

“And when he drew near and saw the city, he wept over it.” Luke 19:41

a. There is great _____.

b. There is great _____.

2. _____

“So I went to Jerusalem” Nehemiah 2:11

“The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us.” John 1:14

3. _____

“And I said to the king, ‘If it pleases the king, and if your servant has found favor in your sight, that you send me to Judah, to the city of my fathers’ graves, that I may rebuild it.’”

Nehemiah 2:5

“...on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.”

Matthew 16:18

“As you come to him, a living stone, rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house...”

1 Peter 1:4-5

4. _____

“Because of all this we make a firm covenant in writing.” Nehemiah 9:38

“On that day the Lord made a covenant with Abram.” Genesis 15:18

“You will be my people, and I will be your God.” Exodus 6:7

The City of God

1. Now _____

“Once you were not a people, but now you are God’s people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.”

1 Peter 2:10

2. No “_____”

“But their nobles would not stoop to serve their Lord”

Nehemiah 3:5

3. Habitually _____

4. A _____

“Remember me, O my God, for good.”

Nehemiah 13:31

“When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, ‘It is finished,’ and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.”

John 19:30

Takeaways

1. Can you see your broken story overlaid with the beautiful true story of a covenant-keeping God?
2. Which city are you living for: the City of God or the city of man?
What do you love? What moves you? What motivates you?
3. Because we belong to _____ City, we must love _____.

“What does love look like? It has the hands to help others. It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy. It has eyes to see misery and want. It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men. That is what love looks like.”

Augustine

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