



Message Outline
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On Mission
Nehemiah 1-8

Why am I _____?

1. _____ what _____ Sees

Nehemiah 1:4 - "When I heard these things, I sat down and wept. For some days I mourned and fasted and prayed before the God of heaven."

2. _____ is where the _____ begins

Nehemiah 1:5–6a — "Lord, the God of heaven, the great and awesome God, who keeps his covenant of love with those who love him and keep his commandments, let your ear be attentive and your eyes open to hear the prayer your servant is praying before you day and night."

Think about your workplace.

Think about your neighborhood.

Think about your family.

Think about your friendships.

Think about the people you interact with regularly.

And now, rather than asking God to change those people, I want you to ask God to **show you those people**.

"God, who do You want me to see?"

3. _____, then _____

Nehemiah 2:8b — "The king granted my requests, because the gracious hand of my God was on me."

4. _____ have a _____ to _____

Nehemiah 3 – "Next to him..."

5. When you _____, don't be _____ by _____

Nehemiah 4:14a — "Don't be afraid of them. Remember the Lord, who is great and awesome."

6. The _____ was never the _____

Nehemiah 8:2–3 — "So on the first day of the seventh month Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, which was made up of men and women and all who were able to understand. He read it aloud from daybreak till noon... And all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law."

"Let _____ rise up and _____."