God's Blueprint For Rebuilding His Church & Your Life Moving Ahead In Our God-Given Purpose Nehemiah 2:9-20

What gets in **YOUR WAY** from doing what **GOD** asks YOU to do?

Nehemiah did NOT let "STUFF" get in his way because he was on a MISSION.

We Must Have The COURAGE To MOVE AHEAD.

THREE BARRIERS that keep us from Moving Ahead in Our God-Given Purpose.

- 1. 1st <u>Barrier</u> that keeps us from Moving Ahead is <u>COMFORT</u> (vv.9-10)
- When we MOVE AHEAD, we may <u>Wonder</u> if getting out of our <u>Comfort Zone</u> was such a good idea.
- Nehemiah was willing to MOVE AHEAD into the <u>UNKNOWN</u>...
- When we MOVE AHEAD, NOT Everyone will be HAPPY.
- Nehemiah Faced a lot of <u>TROUBLE</u> as he <u>Sought</u> to do the <u>Will</u> of God.
- 2. 2nd Barrier that keeps us from Moving Ahead is the CONCEPT (vv. 11-18)
- When we MOVE AHEAD, it makes sense to INVESTIGATE.
- When we MOVE AHEAD, it's Easy to Get OVERWHELMED by the SIZE of the Task.
- When we MOVE AHEAD, <u>TEAMWORK</u> is a MUST.
- Although this <u>WORK</u> was going to be HARD & SACRIFICIAL, God's People were <u>Determined</u> to DO IT...
- 3. 3rd Barrier that keeps us from Moving Ahead is CONFLICT (vv.19-20)
- When we **MOVE AHEAD**, we must **Expect OBSTACLES**.
- When we MOVE AHEAD, we must Remember GOD'S WILL.
- God's People did <u>NOT ALLOW</u> enemy Lies to <u>DETER</u> them from <u>DOING</u> what God had <u>Called them to do.</u>
- Nehemiah shows US we MUST Possess a HOLY AMBITION...
- Do <u>YOU</u> see <u>Yourself</u> Making a Difference?

- If God is Calling us to it, it's Worth Doing it even if it's a Little Scary & Requires Enormous <u>Sacrifice</u>.

 • <u>One Part</u> of **OUR God-Given Purpose** is to <u>PREPARE</u> for the **Next Generation**.