

A God - Shaped Plan

One different word, makes a Big Difference:

I *have* to help / serve my father.

I _____ to help / serve my father.

My father *wants* me to do this.

My father _____ me to do this.

Five Keys of Working God's Plan:

Convicted by a **S** _____ Need.

"...walls broken down... gates destroyed by fire..." 1:3 / 2:3, 13, 17

- The world is broken down.
- Lives destroyed by the devil himself.

Confident of the **S** _____ Involvement.

"... the gracious hand of my God was on me ..." 2:8

"...what my God had put on my heart to do ..." 2:12

- The King's heart was open.
- The people were already there.

These happened through _____ of preparation.

Communicating **S** _____ Truths.

"...let us rebuild the walls ... no longer be in disgrace ...

Let us start rebuilding" 2:17-18

- They knew how to do it.
- They were waiting for _____ leadership.

Micah 6:8 Matthew 28:19-20 Romans 12:12

Centered on **S** _____ Actions.

[Safe Travel / Timber Resources / Residence] 2:7-9

- God gave Nehemiah answers before he was asked..
- Nehemiah inspected the wall without outside influence.
- You can't influence well from a distance.

Committed to **S** _____.

'...The God of heaven will give us success ...' 2:20

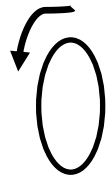
- There will be many distractions along the way.
- There will be many discouragements along the way.
- Stayed plugged in to the power source.

Though God brings the victory,
we must _____ focused on the goal.

The Blessings of a Circle: Neh. 3:1 & 32

- * Circle motion has order, not chaos.
- * Lists don't repeat, but cycles do.
- * Review is a great teacher.
- * Life is full of returning seasons.

- * You live in a circle - surrounded.
- * Notice the people in your circle.
- * Know their stories & struggles.



Influence only happens when we're _____.

Optional Readings:

(15 chapters)

God's Purpose & Plan

Psalms 33 & 40 **Proverbs** 3, 16, 19 **Isaiah** 8, 14, 31, 40, 55

God's Mighty Works

Psalms 71, 75, 92, 145, 146