

“LIKE NEHEMIAH: LEARN HOW TO HANDLE OPPOSITION!”

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★ Remember: Life is an **obstacle** course.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.” Matthew 5:10

📖 *Nehemiah 4:1-9 (page 344-345 in the pew Bible)*

① **Don't be surprised. Instead expect opposition.** (vs. 1-3)

♥ *“In this world you will have trouble, but take courage; I have overcome the world.”*
John 16:33

✝ *“It has been granted to you on behalf of Christ not only to believe on Him, but also to suffer for Him”* Philippians 1:29

② **Don't seek retaliation. Instead apply intercession.** (vs. 4-5)

♥ *“Never take your own revenge, beloved, but leave room for the wrath of God”*
Romans 12:19

✝ *“Break the arm of the wicked and evil man; call him to account for his wickedness”*
Psalms 10:15

③ **Don't quit. Instead persevere.** (vs. 6-9)

♥ *“Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord.”* 1 Corinthians 15:58

✝ *“Be strong in the Lord ... Put on the full armor of God, so that you may be able to STAND FIRM against the schemes of the devil.”* Ephesians 6:10-11

Summary: When I encounter opposition, I will . . .

♥ **Pray**

✝ **Persevere**