

**A Study on  
Nehemiah**

A close-up photograph of a hand wearing a yellow work glove, gripping a wooden handle of a hammer. The hammer is positioned to strike a dark, rough stone. The background is dark and textured, suggesting a construction or masonry site.

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Vision often begins with a need or concern.

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❖ God wants you to have a vision

May he give you **the desire of your heart** and make all  
your plans succeed.

Take delight in the Lord, and he will give you **the**  
**desires of your heart.**

For the eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him. . .

For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each of us may receive what is due us for the things done while in the body, whether good or bad.

Now faith is confidence **in what we hope for** and assurance about what we do not see.



And without faith it is impossible to please God,  
because anyone who comes to him must believe that  
he exists and that he rewards those who earnestly  
seek him.

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Nothing is too big for God's power or too small for God's heart!

If prayer isn't necessary to accomplish your vision, you're not thinking big enough.

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❖ Define your vision clearly

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For most people, it's not a lack of caring that's your problem. It's a lack of clarity!

Craig Groeschel

The king said to me, “What is it you want?” Then I prayed to the God of heaven, and I answered the king, “If it pleases the king and if your servant has found favor in his sight, **let him send me to the city in Judah where my ancestors are buried so that I can rebuild it.**”

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If you can't define it—You can't do it!

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❖ Make plans carefully

The plans of the diligent lead to profit as surely as  
haste leads to poverty.



But the noble make noble plans, and by noble deeds  
they stand.

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Pray for opportunities and then plan as if you expect  
God to answer your prayers.

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Dreamers dream about things being different.

Visionaries envision themselves making a difference.

Andy Stanley

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❖ Your vision can inspire others

Then I said to them, “You see the trouble we are in: Jerusalem lies in ruins, and its gates have been burned with fire. Come, let us rebuild the wall of Jerusalem, and we will no longer be in disgrace.”

I also told them about the gracious hand of my God on me and what the king had said to me. They replied, “Let us start rebuilding.” So they began this good work.

For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”

He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.



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❖ Act on your vision

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You don't get what you wish for.

You get what you work for.

Then the king, with the queen sitting beside him, asked me, “How long will your journey take, and when will you get back?” It pleased the king to send me; **so I set a time.**

I also said to him, “If it pleases the king, **may I have letters** to the governors of Trans-Euphrates, **so that they will provide me safe-conduct until I arrive in Judah?**

And may I have a letter to Asaph, keeper of the royal park, so he will give me timber to make beams for the gates of the citadel by the temple and for the city wall and for the residence I will occupy?” And because the gracious hand of my God was on me, the king granted my requests.

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“Vision without action is merely a dream.

Action without vision just passes the time.

Vision with action can change your life.”





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