

WE ARE HIRING



PANDA FLUFFER!

**USE A FEATHER DUSTER TO
ENCOURAGE
SHY PANDAS TO APPEAR**

APPLY NOW

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PROFESSIONAL MOURNER



**COME TO A FUNERAL AND
PRETEND TO WEEP!**

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SNAKE MILKER

**MILK THE VENOM OUT OF A
SNAKE-WATCH OUT FOR
THOSE TEETH !**

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LINE HOLDER

STAND IN THE QUEUE !

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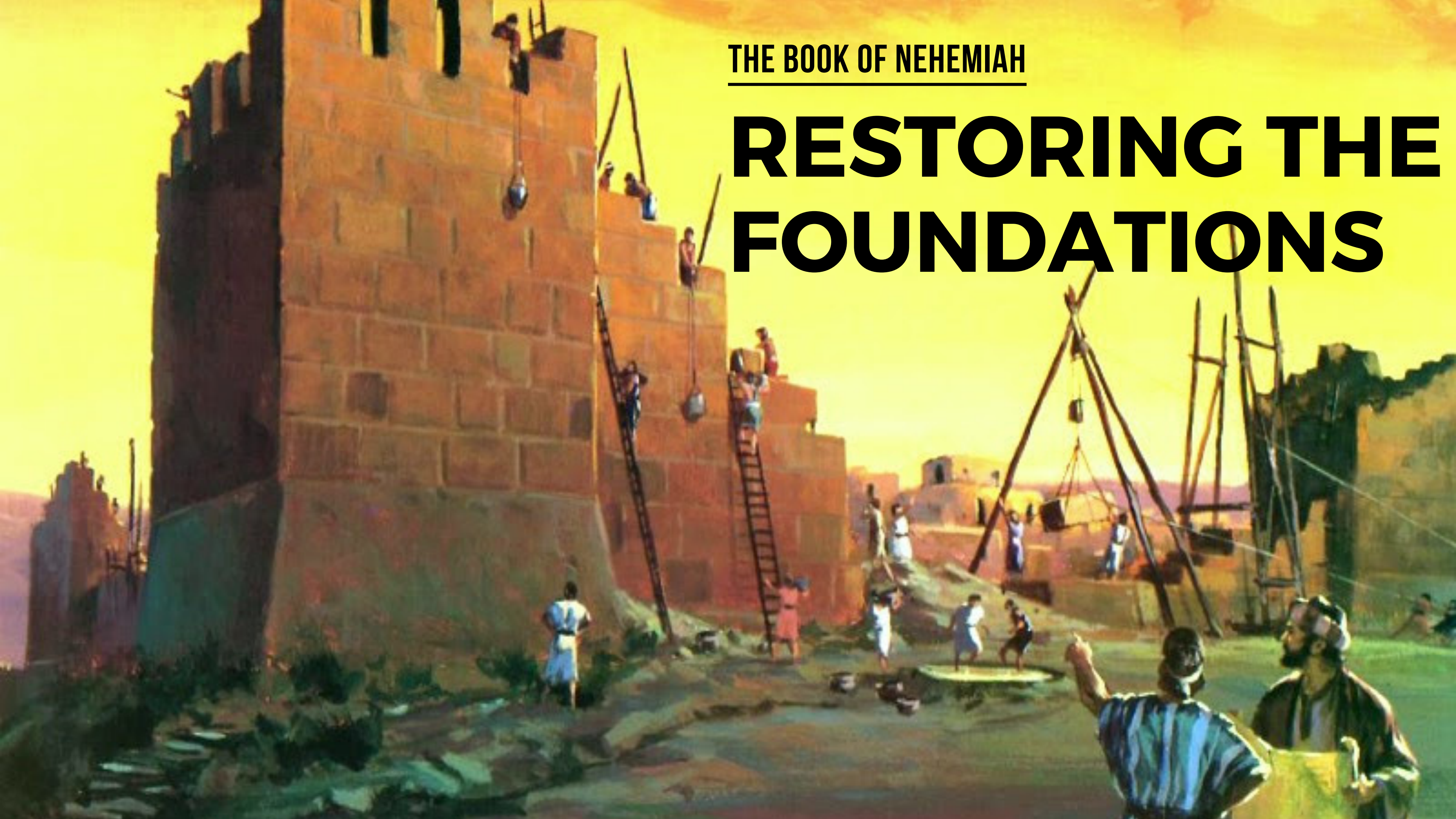
CUP BEARER

**POUR WINE -AND THEN
TASTE IT IN CASE IT IS
POISONED !**

APPLY NOW

THE BOOK OF NEHEMIAH

RESTORING THE FOUNDATIONS



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JlXqTBlys7s>



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A painting depicting the rebuilding of Jerusalem's walls. In the foreground, a man in a blue and white striped tunic points towards the wall. In the background, workers are seen on ladders and cranes, constructing the wall. The sky is a warm, orange-yellow color, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The overall scene is one of active construction and restoration.

When?
Where?
Why?

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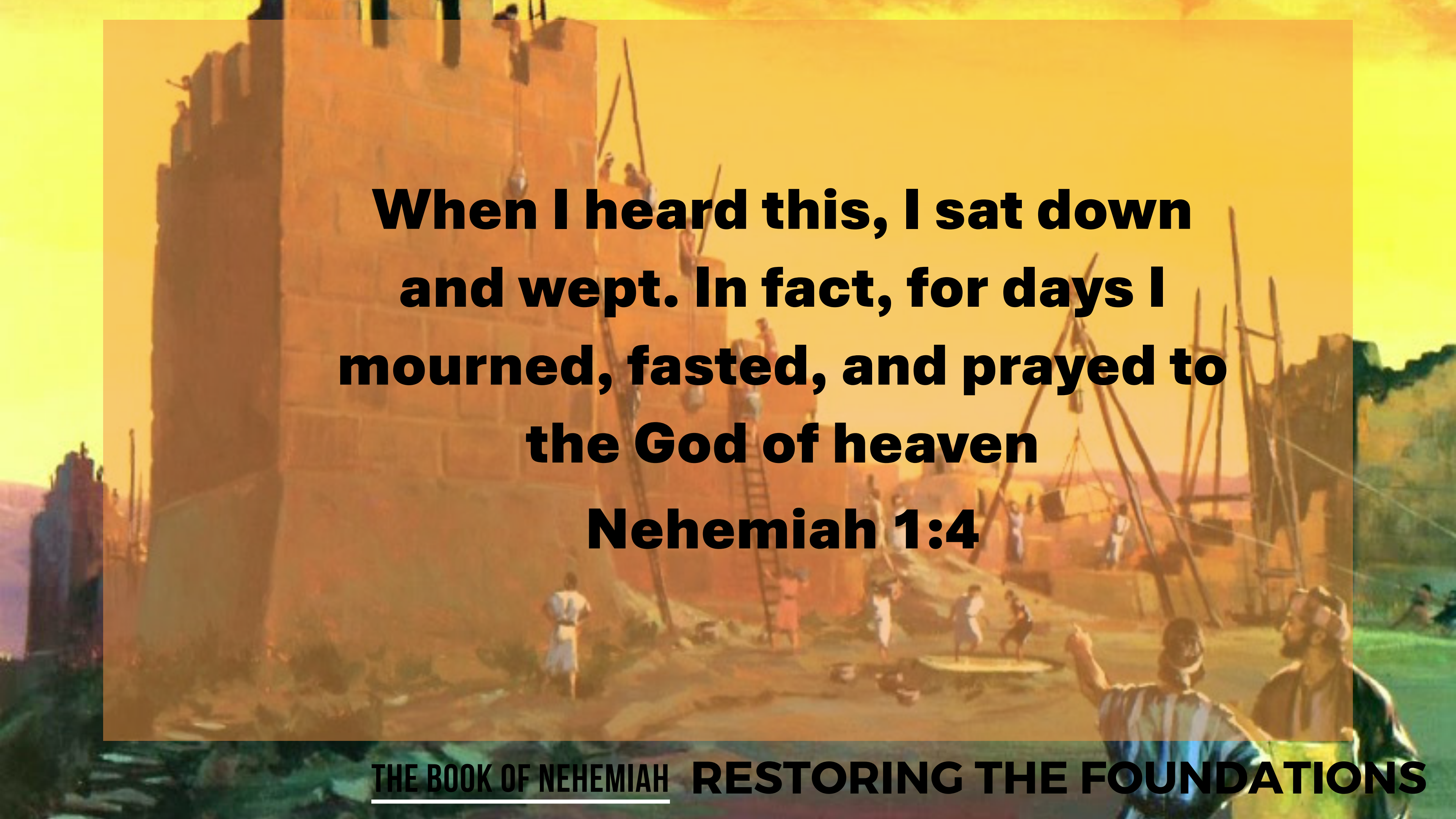
When? Around 445bc
Where? Susa then Jerusalem
Why? Prayer + Restoration

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Nehemiah prayed... and fasted Chapter 1

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**When I heard this, I sat down
and wept. In fact, for days I
mourned, fasted, and prayed to
the God of heaven
Nehemiah 1:4**

A painting depicting the rebuilding of Jerusalem's walls. The scene is set against a warm, golden sky, suggesting sunrise or sunset. In the foreground, a man in a blue and white striped tunic points towards the wall. In the background, several workers are visible on ladders and cranes, working on the large, reddish-brown stone wall. The overall mood is one of hope and restoration.

INFORMATION → EMOTION

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Nehemiah prayed... and responded Chapter 2

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INFORMATION → EMOTION → REACTION

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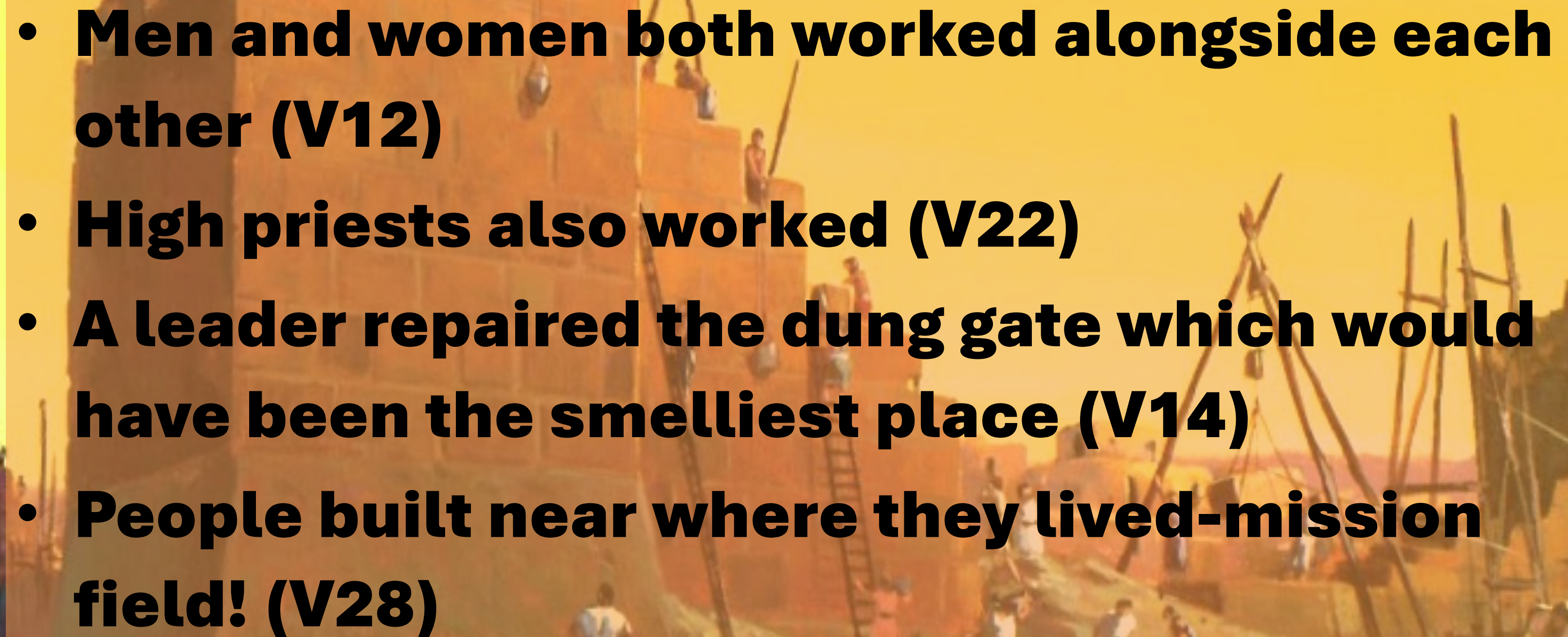
Nehemiah prayed... and delegated Chapter 3

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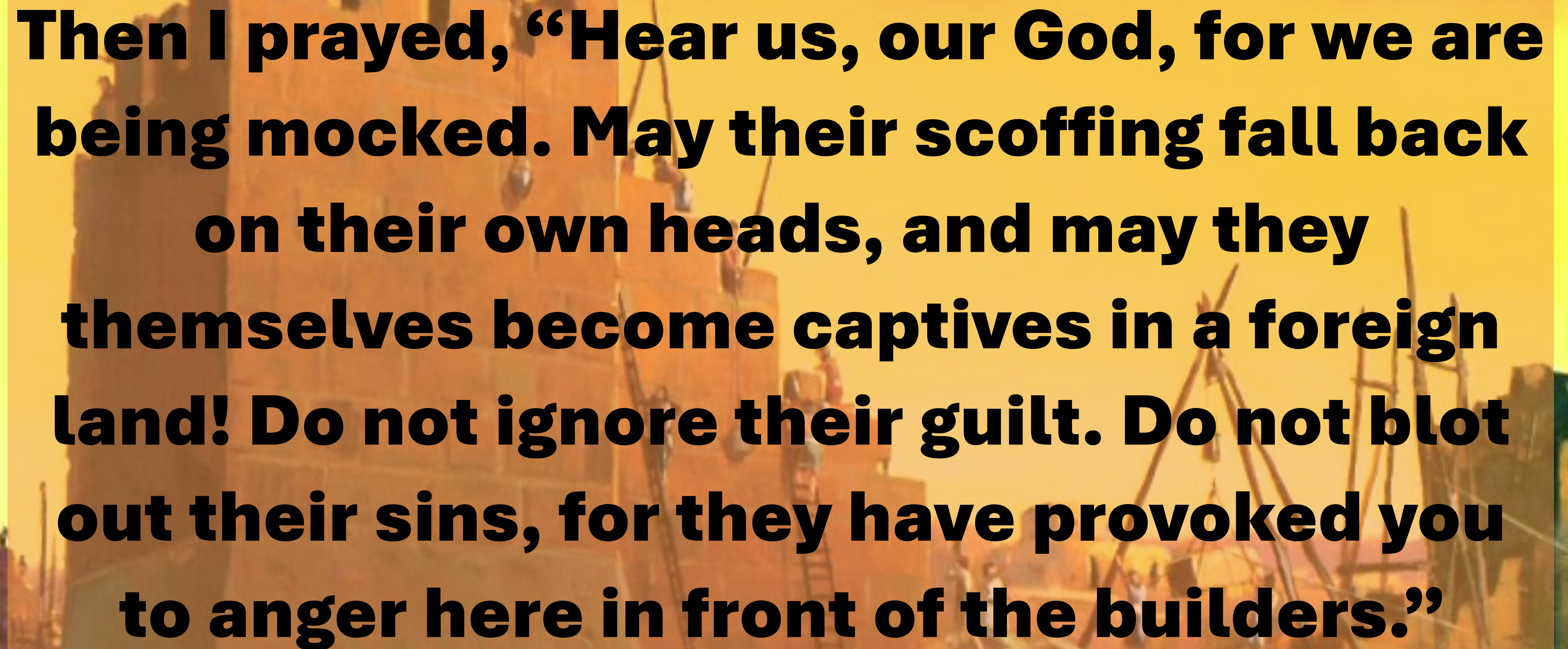
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- **Men and women both worked alongside each other (V12)**
 - **High priests also worked (V22)**
 - **A leader repaired the dung gate which would have been the smelliest place (V14)**
 - **People built near where they lived-mission field! (V28)**



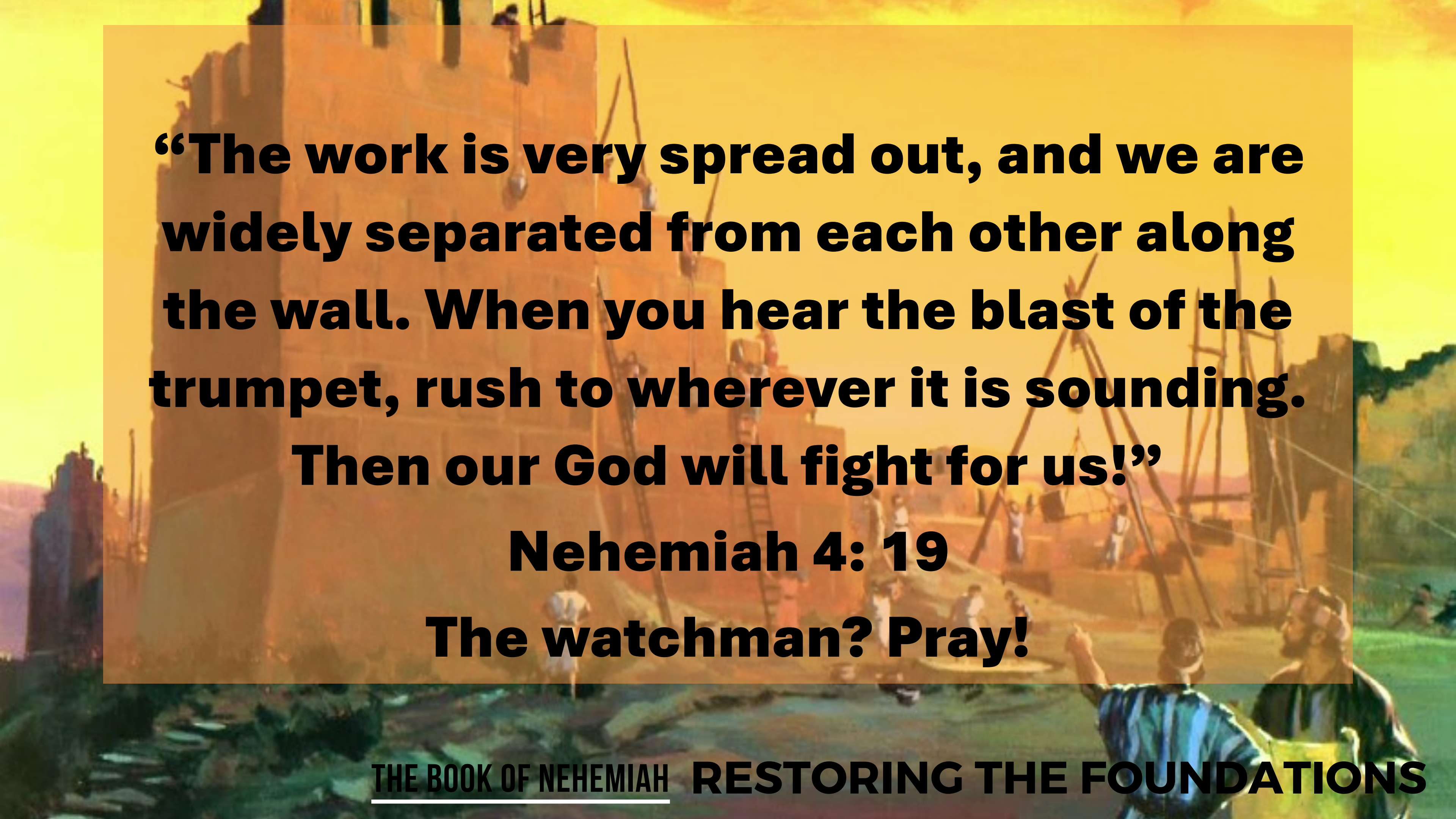
Nehemiah prayed... and persisted Chapter 4

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Then I prayed, “Hear us, our God, for we are being mocked. May their scoffing fall back on their own heads, and may they themselves become captives in a foreign land! Do not ignore their guilt. Do not blot out their sins, for they have provoked you to anger here in front of the builders.”

Nehemiah 4:4



“The work is very spread out, and we are widely separated from each other along the wall. When you hear the blast of the trumpet, rush to wherever it is sounding. Then our God will fight for us!”

Nehemiah 4: 19

The watchman? Pray!



Nehemiah prayed... and confronted Chapter 5/6

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- **Distraction-invited to a meeting to try and stop the work**
 - **Fabrication- twisted the reality about the leaders.**
 - **Subversion- tried to make Nehemiah hide and stop**

I replied by sending this message to them: “I am engaged in a great work, so I can’t come. Why should I stop working to come and meet with you?”

Nehemiah 6: 3



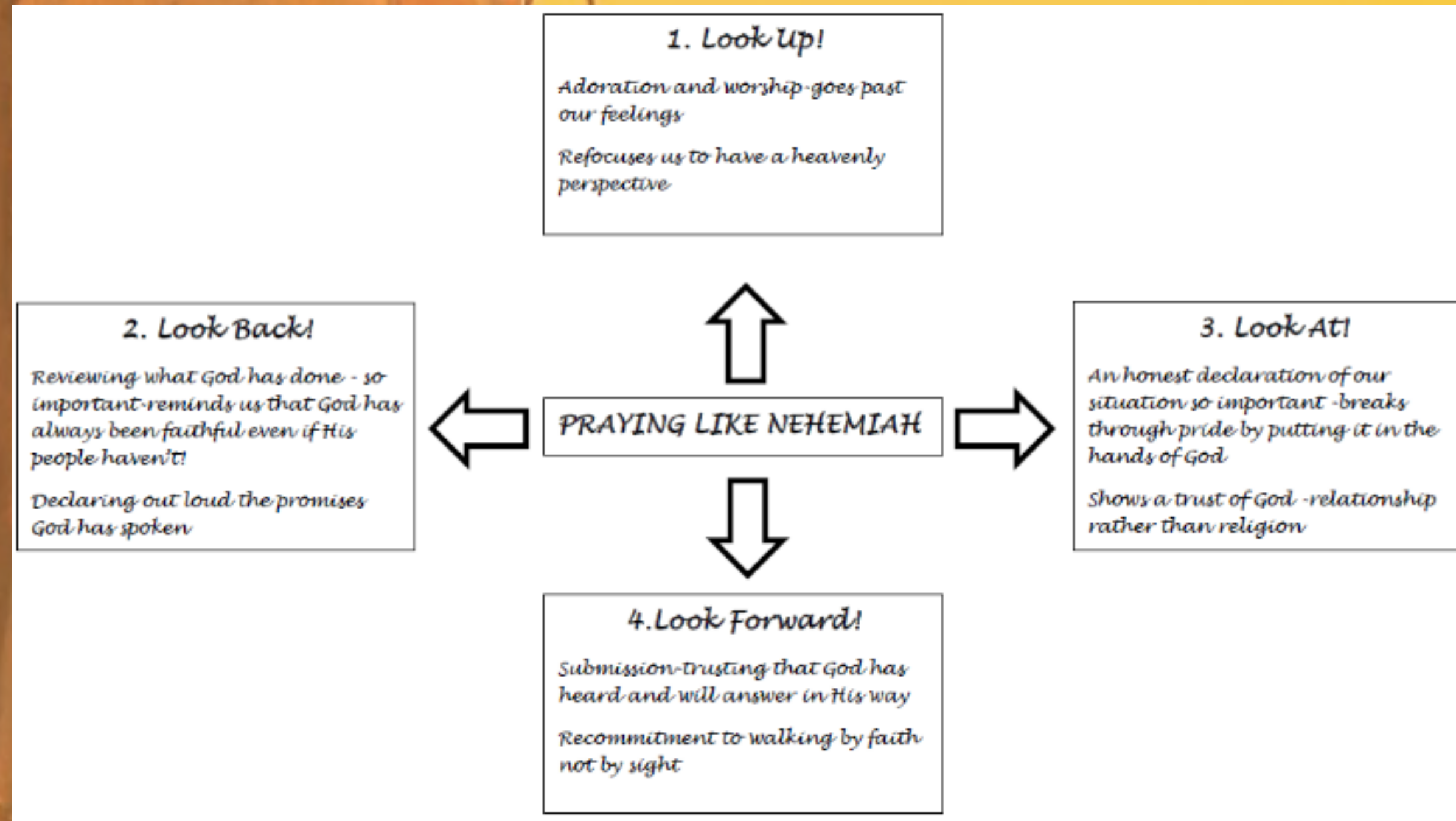
Nehemiah prayed... and entrusted Chapter 7

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**They prayed...
and preached
Chapter 8/9**

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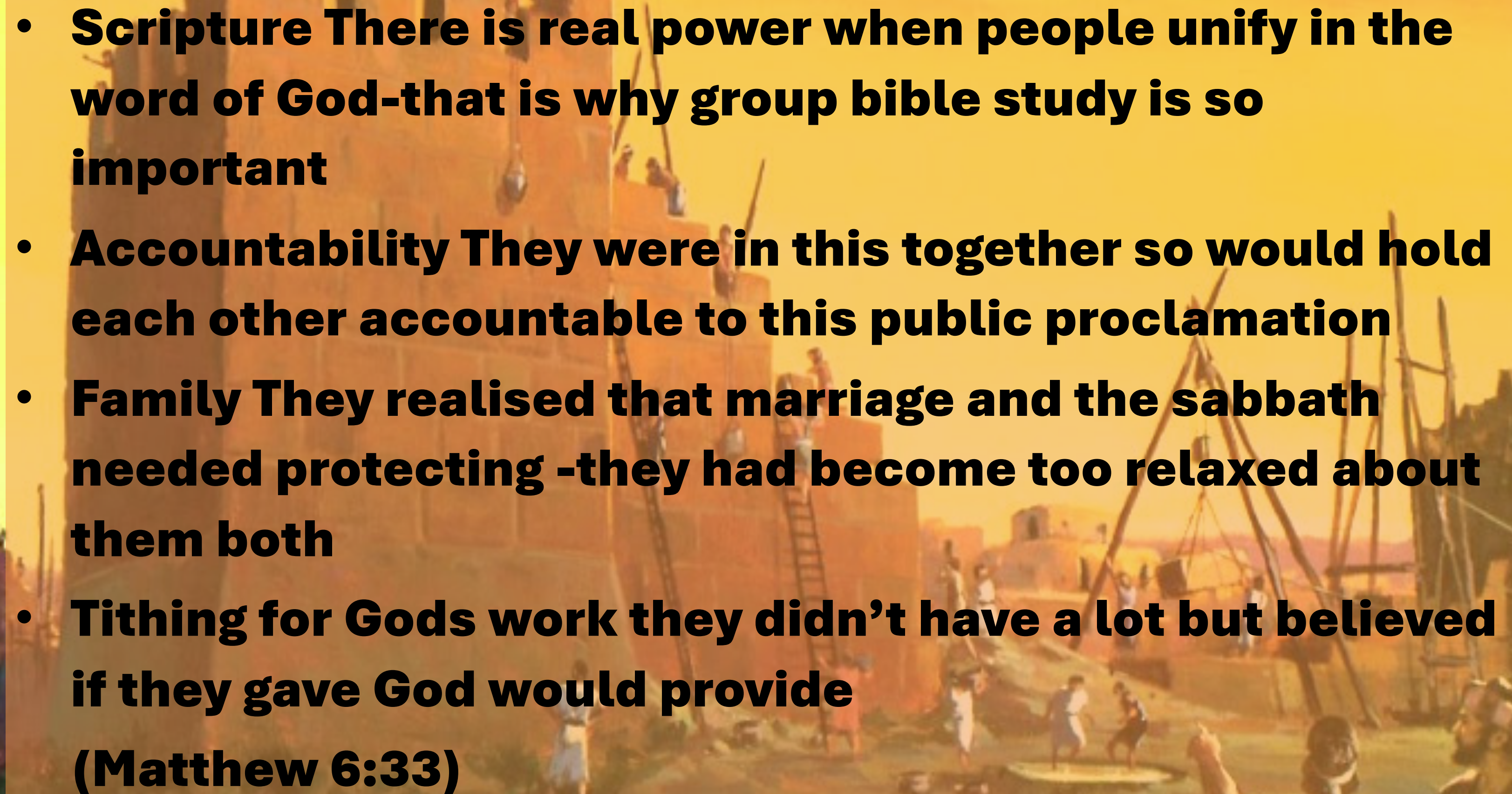


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They prayed... and promised Chapter 10

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- The background of the slide is a painting depicting the construction of the Tower of Babel. In the foreground, a man in a blue and white striped tunic is seen from the back, gesturing towards the massive structure. The tower itself is a colossal, terraced edifice made of reddish-brown bricks, with numerous ladders leaning against its sides. Many workers are visible on different levels of the tower, some standing and others working. The scene is set in a hilly, arid landscape under a bright, hazy sky. The overall tone is one of grand ambition and divine challenge.
- **Scripture** There is real power when people unify in the word of God-that is why group bible study is so important
 - **Accountability** They were in this together so would hold each other accountable to this public proclamation
 - **Family** They realised that marriage and the sabbath needed protecting -they had become too relaxed about them both
 - **Tithing for Gods work** they didn't have a lot but believed if they gave God would provide (Matthew 6:33)



They prayed... and volunteered Chapter 11

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**And the people commended everyone who
volunteered to resettle in Jerusalem
Nehemiah 11:2**

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**They prayed...
and celebrated
Chapter 12**

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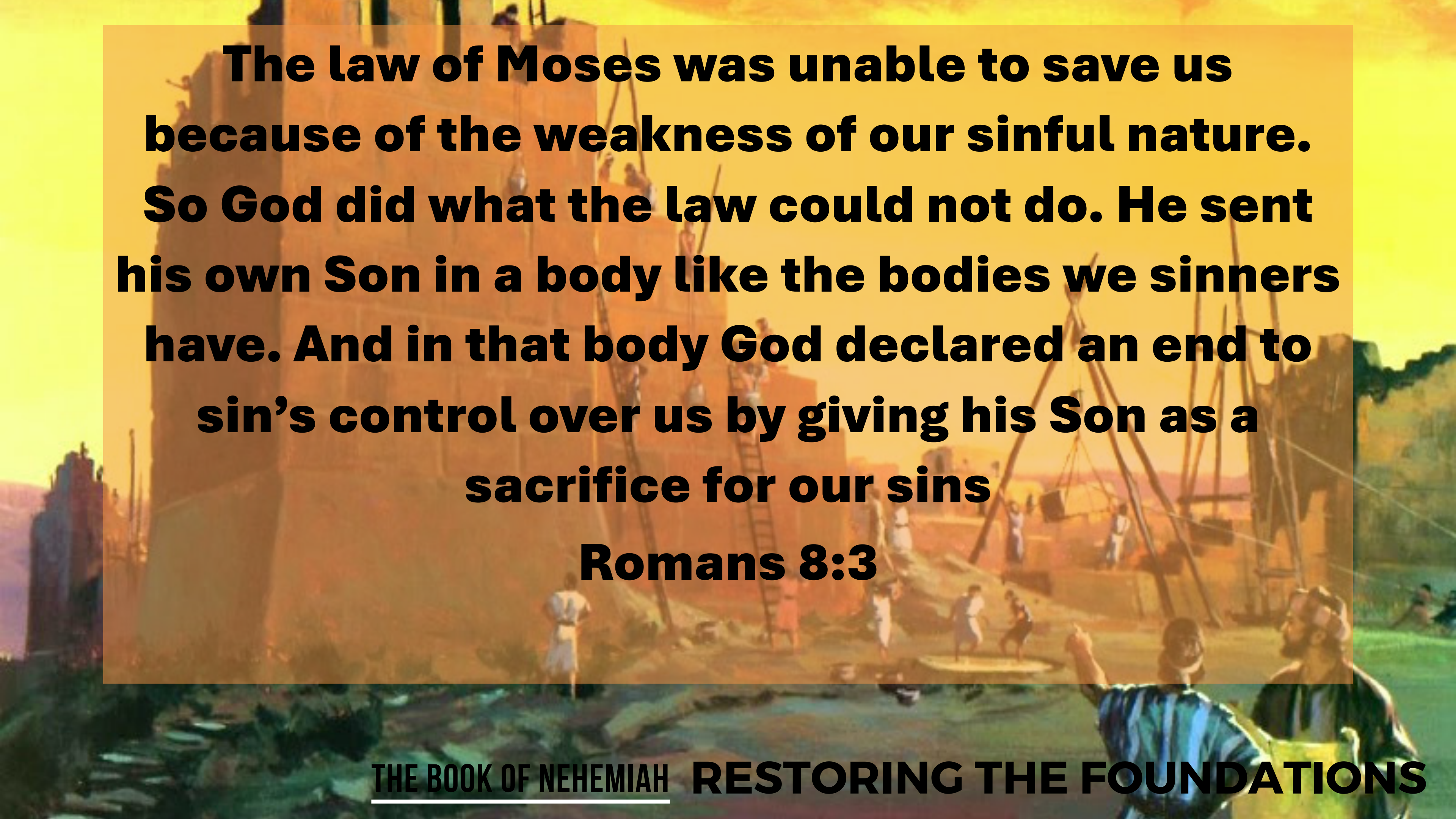
**They prayed...
and celebrated
Chapter 12**

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Nehemiah prayed... and returned Chapter 13

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**The law of Moses was unable to save us
because of the weakness of our sinful nature.
So God did what the law could not do. He sent
his own Son in a body like the bodies we sinners
have. And in that body God declared an end to
sin's control over us by giving his Son as a
sacrifice for our sins**

Romans 8:3

Conclusion/Response

- **Nehemiah knew God well enough to know His purposes for his life. Have you asked God into your life? Do you truly know His love for you?**
- **Nehemiah prayed at every step. Do we need to recommit ourselves to that intimate prayer life with God?**
- **Nehemiah's prayers were always followed by action. What action is God stirring in our hearts? How will we respond?**