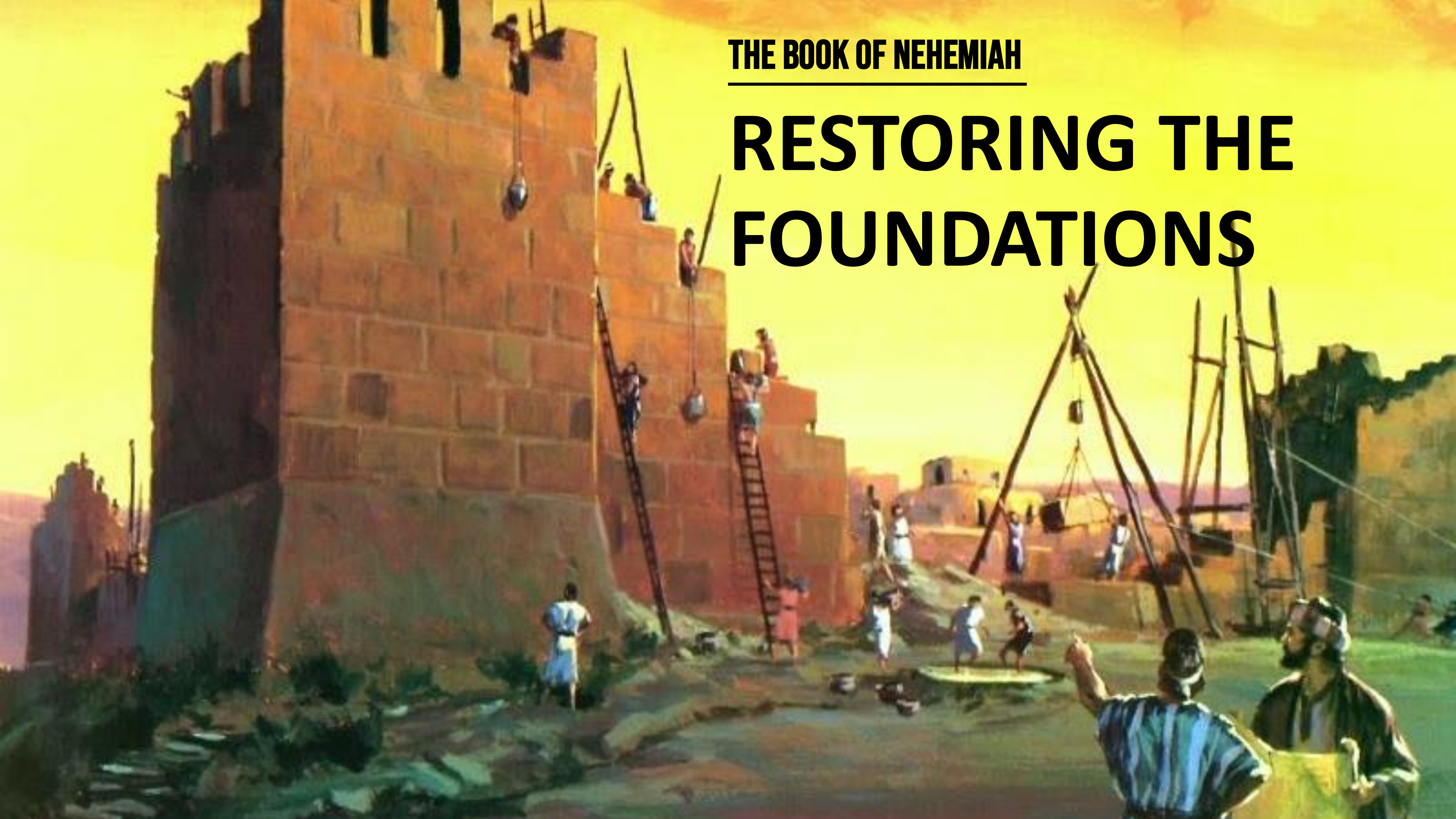


THE BOOK OF NEHEMIAH

RESTORING THE FOUNDATIONS





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**“THANKSGIVING AND DEDICATION”
NEHEMIAH 12:26-46**

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“DEDICATION”

Dedication is simply defined as commitment.

You commit something to someone. It is to be readily available for use for something or someone. We dedicate ourselves to people and a cause and we dedicate things to people

WHY WAS THE TEMPLE AND WALL DEDICATED?

- As a formal way of committing it to God for His use and keeping it holy. This makes Dedication a spiritual form of transference of ownership to God.
- In this Kingdom, there are no achievers, only receivers.
1 Corinthians 4:7

WHAT IS THANKSGIVING?

- Thanksgiving is acknowledging God as the doer of whatever good thing we have received or achieved.
Psalm 115:1-3

WHAT IS THANKSGIVING?

- Thanksgiving is giving God the glory for whatever praise we receive from men. Not giving God glory is pride. God hates pride
Acts 12:21- 23

HOW POWERFUL IS THANKSGIVING?

- Thanksgiving is the only way our request is made known to God.

Philippians 4:6

HOW POWERFUL IS THANKSGIVING?

- Every request that's devoid of thanksgiving is just an expression of greed and covetousness.

James 4:3.

HOW POWERFUL IS THANKSGIVING?

- Nothing diminishes with thanksgiving - Therefore thanksgiving is a spiritual multiplier - **John 6:11**

HOW POWERFUL IS THANKSGIVING?

- Thanksgiving commits God's integrity to preserve and perfect our miracles

Luke 17:12-19

HOW POWERFUL IS THANKSGIVING?

- Thanksgiving is a divine command
1 Thess. 5:18

“COMPLAINING OR THANKSGIVING”

- To be Grateful is to be Thankful.
- And to be Thankful is to be Joyful.
- To be Joyful is to be Praiseful. And to be Praiseful is to be Godful.
- And to be Godful is to be Wonderful.



ENEMIES OF THANKSGIVING

- Comparison – 2 Corinthians 10:12



“ENEMIES OF THANKSGIVING”

- Impatience with God - Hebrews 6:12

WHAT WAS NEHEMIAH THANKING GOD FOR?

- For fulfillment of Prophecy
Jeremiah 29:10; 1 Kings 8:15, 20

WHAT WAS NEHEMIAH THANKING GOD FOR?

➤ For speed

Archeologists say the wall of Jerusalem is 4kms long with an average height of 39 feet and a thickness of 8.2 feet. The wall has 34 watchtowers and 7 main gates with two minor ones. The wall was completed in 52 days.

Nehemiah 3:13)

“WHAT WILL YOU THANK GOD FOR?”

- **Psalm 103:1-5**
- **Bless** - To Eulogize - A citation given in a funeral
- **Soul** - The spiritual part of a human being regarded as immortal.



“WHAT WILL YOU THANK GOD FOR?”

Whenever we complain about God before people, we are expressing ingratitude, and we are showing Him as unjust, unfair, insensitive and unrighteous.