ROCKY RIVER CHURCH
BUILD THE WALL: A VISION FOR REBUILDING THE CHURCH
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God rebuilds broken places when His people rise together, trust Him, and commit themselves to the work He has called them to do.

FIVE THINGS TO UNDERSTAND ABOUT VISION:

#1. A great vision begins _____.

"And they said to me, 'The remnant there in the province who had survived the exile is in great trouble and shame. The wall of Jerusalem is broken down, and its gates are destroyed by fire.' As soon as I heard these words I sat down and wept and mourned for days, and I continued fasting and praying before the God of heaven." **-Nehemiah 1:3-4**

#2. A great vision is _____.

"And I said, 'O Lord God of heaven, the great and awesome God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, let your ear be attentive and your eyes open, to hear the prayer of your servant that I now pray before you day and night for the people of Israel your servants, confessing the sins of the people of Israel, which we have sinned against you. Even I and my father's house have sinned.'" **-Nehemiah 1:5-6**

"I will build my church." **-Matthew 16:18**

#3. A great vision requires _____.

"Then the king said to me, 'What are you requesting?' So I prayed to the God of heaven. And I said to the king…" **-Nehemiah 2:4-5**

"You see the trouble we are in, how Jerusalem lies in ruins with its gates burned. Come, let us build the wall of Jerusalem, that we may no longer suffer derision." **-Nehemiah 2:18**

#4. A great vision _____.

"Above the Horse Gate the priests repaired, each one opposite his own house." **-Nehemiah 3:28**

#5. A great vision perseveres _____.

"Now when Sanballat heard that we were building the wall, he was angry and greatly enraged, and he jeered at the Jews. And he said in the presence of his brothers and of the army of Samaria, 'What are these feeble Jews doing? Will they restore it for themselves? Will they sacrifice? Will they finish up in a day? Will they revive the stones out of the heaps of rubbish, and burned ones at that?'" **-Nehemiah 4:1-2**

"I looked and arose and said to the nobles and to the officials and to the rest of the people, "Do not be afraid of them. Remember the Lord, who is great and awesome, and fight for your brothers, your sons, your daughters, your wives, and your homes." **-Nehemiah 4:14**

"When our enemies heard that it was known to us and that God had frustrated their plan, we all returned to the wall, each to his work. From that day on, half of my servants worked on construction, and half held the spears, shields, bows, and coats of mail. And the leaders stood behind the whole house of Judah, who were building on the wall. Those who carried burdens were loaded in such a way that each labored on the work with one hand and held his weapon with the other. And each of the builders had his sword strapped at his side while he built. The man who sounded the trumpet was beside me. And I said to the nobles and to the officials and to the rest of the people, 'The work is great and widely spread, and we are separated on the wall, far from one another. In the place where you hear the sound of the trumpet, rally to us there. Our God will fight for us.'" **-Nehemiah 4:15-20**

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