

Called To Stand Out, Not Blend In

Nehemiah 1:1-4 (NKJV)

1 The words of Nehemiah the son of Hachaliah. It came to pass in the month of Chislev, in the twentieth year, as I was in Shushan the citadel, 2 that Hanani one of my brethren came with men from Judah; and I asked them concerning the Jews who had escaped, who had survived the captivity, and concerning Jerusalem. 3 And they said to me, "The survivors who are left from the captivity in the province are there in great distress and reproach. The wall of Jerusalem is also broken down, and its gates are burned with fire." 4 So it was, when I heard these words, that I sat down and wept, and mourned for many days; I was fasting and praying before the God of heaven.

1. The _____ of Nehemiah's calling

1 ...in the month of Chislev, in the twentieth year...

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2 ...Hanani one of my brethren came with men from Judah; and I asked them concerning the Jews who had escaped, who had survived the captivity, and concerning Jerusalem.

Psalm 87:2 The LORD loves the gates of Zion More than all the dwellings of Jacob.

3 Glorious things are spoken of you, O city of God!

Psalm 137:1 By the rivers of Babylon, There we sat down, yea, we wept when we remembered Zion.

5 If I forget you, O Jerusalem, Let my right hand forget its skill! 6 If I do not remember you, let my tongue cling to the roof of my mouth-- If I do not exalt Jerusalem above my chief joy.

5. The _____ of Nehemiah's calling

There was a contrast in:

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6. The _____ of Nehemiah's calling

4 So it was, when I heard these words, that I sat down and wept, and mourned for many days; I was fasting and praying before the God of heaven.

Mark 8:34 "Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me."