

You Can't Stop Us!

When have you felt “super scared” to speak to someone?

Read Nehemiah 2:1-20; 4:1-23.

1. What did Nehemiah ask from King Artaxerxes when given the chance?
 - A. A new job.
 - B. A vacation.
 - C. A trip to Jerusalem to build walls around the city.
 - D. Money for the task he thought needed to be done in Jerusalem.
 - E. Permission to do what God wanted him to do.
 - F. To spare his life.
 - G. Safe travels.
 - H. Freedom to worship as he chose.
 - I. Other.

2. Name Nehemiah's emotion when the king asked, “Why are you sad?”
 - A. Anguish—because of the reports he received from Jerusalem.
 - B. Surprise—that the king caught on to Nehemiah's feelings.
 - C. Confidence—in God.
 - D. Confidence—in himself.
 - E. Fear—but with faith in God.
 - F. Terror—he cowered from speaking when asked.
 - G. Mixture of fear and confidence—he was the king's cupbearer.
 - H. Uncertainty—he wondered how the king might react to his request.
 - I. Other.

3. Why did Nehemiah check the shambles of city gates and walls at night?
 - A. He didn't want the enemies of the Jews to know what he was doing.
 - B. He didn't want the Jews to know what he was doing.
 - C. He didn't know what he was doing.
 - D. It was too hot during the day.
 - E. Nehemiah was more of a nighttime kind of person.
 - F. God told him to survey those places at night.
 - G. It would cause too much commotion if he did it in plain sight.
 - H. There was much less traffic at night.
 - I. Other.

4. Why did Sanballat and friends oppose the rebuilding of Jerusalem?
 - A. They were jealous of the Jews.
 - B. They felt threatened by the presence of the Jews.
 - C. They knew Jerusalem would become wicked again.
 - D. They wanted their land.
 - E. They were mad because their taxes were being used to pay for it.
 - F. Satan was working through them to stymie God's people and place.
 - G. The land was already theirs.
 - H. They were bullies.
 - I. Other.

5. What did the people of Judah do when they were threatened?
 - A. Prayed to God.
 - B. Attacked their enemies.
 - C. Stopped working and hid.
 - D. Kept working, but with weapons.
 - E. Confronted their enemies.
 - F. Commissioned guards.
 - G. Put on a party and invited their enemies.
 - H. Did nothing and trusted God to fix the problem.
 - I. Other.

6. Who fights for God's people?
 - A. God.
 - B. God's people.
 - C. Those who have weapons.
 - D. Those who pray.
 - E. No one.
 - F. The forces of nature.
 - G. Angels.
 - H. Other.

7. King Artaxerxes helped Nehemiah. What superiors have helped you?

8. Nehemiah and his people faced opposition from bullies and naysayers. What would you do if you faced that kind of opposition?