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PEACE

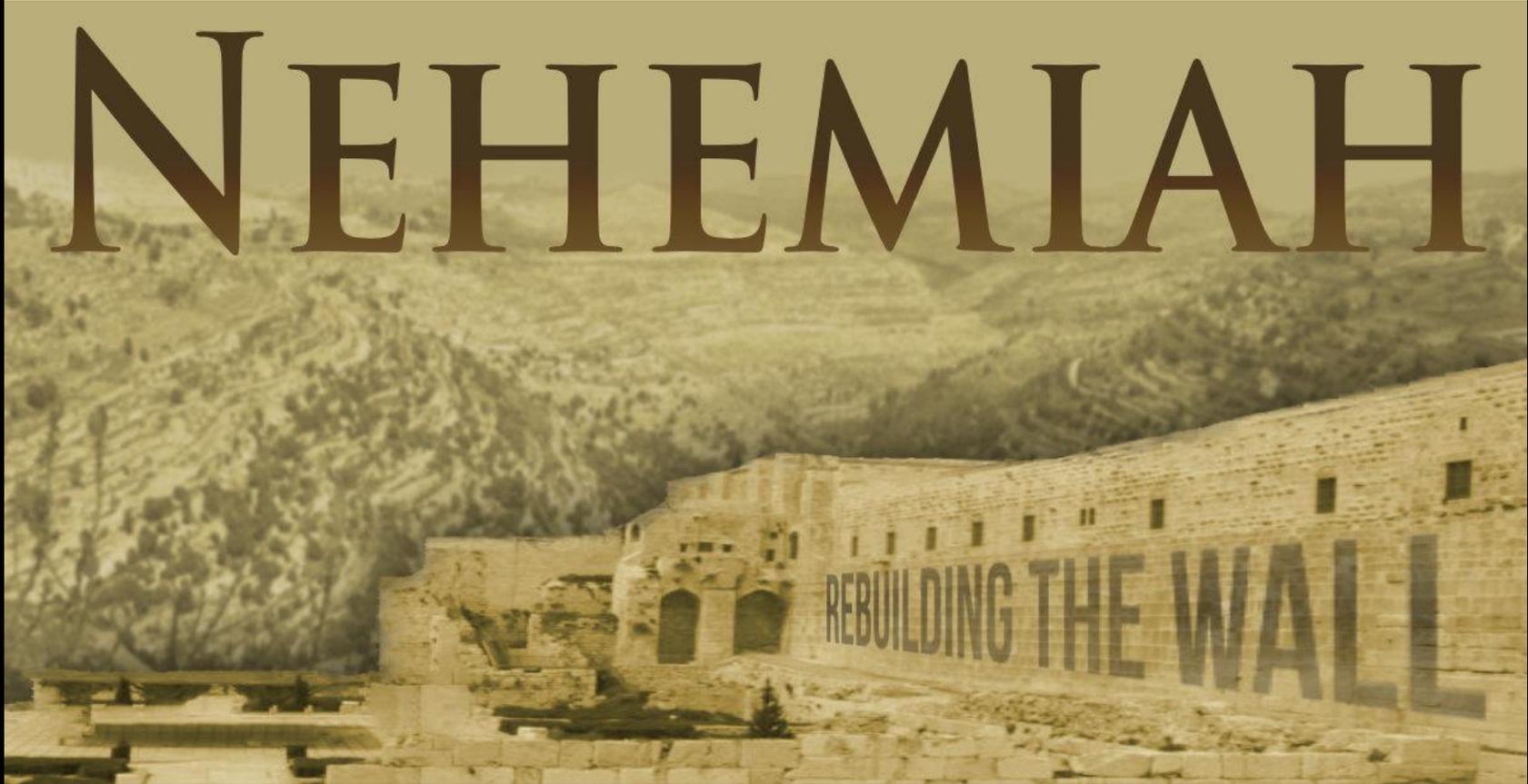
ISAIAH 26:1-3



Longing For Peace

NEHEMIAH

REBUILDING THE WALL



Three Biblical Dimensions Of Peace

A. Peace with God

Romans 5:1

Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:

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B. The Peace of God

Philippians 4:6-8

6 Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God.

7 And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

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C. World Peace

Isaiah 9:6-7

6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

7 Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end, upon the throne of David, and upon his kingdom, to order it, and to establish it with judgment and with justice from henceforth even for ever. The zeal of the LORD of hosts will perform this.

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C. World Peace

- 1. Only the God of peace, not man, will bring peace**
- 2. This will be delayed until Christ returns to establish His kingdom**
- 3. Finally, the world will know real peace (Rev 19-20)**

Isaiah 26:1-3

**1 In that day shall this song be sung in the land of Judah;
We have a strong city; salvation will God appoint for
walls and bulwarks.**

**2 Open ye the gates, that the righteous nation which
keepeth the truth may enter in.**

**3 Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is
stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee.**

I. The Perfect Source Of Peace

A. Christ prophesied to bring peace

1. Not by man

Isaiah 7:14

Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

2. Isaiah described the qualities of Christ

I. The Perfect Source Of Peace

B. Christ proclaimed to give peace

1. Found in the Word of God

Psalm 29:11

The LORD will give strength unto his people; the LORD will bless his people with peace

2. By Himself, the Living Word of God

John 14:27

Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid.

I. The Perfect Source Of Peace

C. Christ is the possessor of peace

Romans 15:33

Now the God of peace be with you all. Amen.

2 Thessalonians 3:16

Now the Lord of peace himself give you peace always by all means. The Lord be with you all.

**Perfect peace in our lives is a picture
of what is to come**

II. The Perfect Solution Of Peace (26:3)

A. “whose mind is stayed on thee”

1. Many things can rob us of our peace

2. We must stay focused on Christ

Luke 9:23

And he said to them all, If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow me.

II. The Perfect Solution Of Peace (26:3)

B. “Because he trusteth in thee”

1. Faith in Christ enables us to overcome life’s stresses

1 John 5:4

**For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world:
and this is the victory that overcometh the world, even
our faith.**

2. Faith wins and fear loses

Micah 7:7

**Therefore I will look unto the Lord; I will wait for the
God of my salvation: my God will hear me.**

III. The Perfect Song For The Peaceful (26:1)

A. Isaiah looked forward to a better time

1. He focused on future blessing than present trials

Romans 8:18

For I reckon that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

2. He envisioned his people singing of salvation rather than their sorrows

Psalms 95:1

O come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

III. The Perfect Song For The Peaceful (26:1)

B. Isaiah saw a great revival and envisioned singing about it

1. He refused to be overcome by problems of his time

John 14:1

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

2. The best is yet to come

Isaiah 66:14

And when ye see this, your heart shall rejoice, and your bones shall flourish like an herb: and the hand of the LORD shall be known toward his servants, and his indignation toward his enemies.

IS IT NOT TIME
TO FIND PEACE
IN GOD?