

Under Construction in 2009

Demolishing Discouragement

Scripture Reading: *Psalm 66*

Introduction:

A. Christians are builders, and to that end we have been in *Nehemiah* on Sunday evenings.

B. A summary of Nehemiah's situation. Great successes had been enjoyed, but difficulties were on the horizon.

1. Enemies sought to destroy the work, but God used the opportunity to build His people.

2. "God had one Son without sin, but He never had a son without trial."

C. *Nehemiah 4-6* describes at least nine tactics the enemy used to try to stop the work.

D. If you start building, you will soon be battling; so, be prepared!

I. _____ (*Nehemiah 4:1-6*)

II. _____ (*Nehemiah 4:7-9*)

III. _____ (*Nehemiah 4:10*)

IV. _____ (*Nehemiah 4:11-23*)