

Under Construction in 2009

The Lies & Intimidation of the Enemy

Scripture Reading: 2 Corinthians 11:1-15

Introduction:

- A. Under Nehemiah's gifted leadership, the people completed the rebuilding of Jerusalem's walls.
- B. Since Sanballat and his friends had failed in their attempts to stop the work, they decided to concentrate their attacks on Nehemiah himself.
- C. Many of us don't realize the tremendous pressures and testings that our leaders experience.
- D. How should a Christian handle false accusations and efforts at intimidation? Four strategies were used to attack Nehemiah, strategies that are alive and well today.

I. _____ : "Why don't we just meet in the middle?" (*Nehemiah 6:1-4*)

II. _____ : "You won't believe what we've heard...and we can't wait to tell!!"
(*Nehemiah 6:5-9*)

III. _____ : "We know it's wrong, but we're on YOUR side!" (*Nehemiah 6:10-14*)

IV. _____ : "We're not going to give up!" (*Nehemiah 6:15-19*)