

## To This End: Tribal

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Then I said to them, "You see the trouble WE are in: Jerusalem lies in ruins, and its gates have been burned with fire. WE will no longer be in disgrace."

Nehemiah 2:17a

I have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears, and sweat. We shall go on to the end, we shall fight in France, we shall fight on the seas and oceans, we shall fight with growing confidence and growing strength in the air, we shall defend our Island, whatever the cost. Winston Churchill

"Come, let US rebuild the wall of Jerusalem, and I also told them about the gracious hand of my God on me and what the king had said to me."

**Nehemiah 2:17b-18a** 

They replied, "Let US start rebuilding." So they began this good work.

Nehemiah 2:18b

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." Helen Keller

Where there is no vision, the people are unrestrained.

Proverbs 29:18

So we rebuilt the wall till all of it reached half its height, for the people *worked* with all their heart. We prayed to our God and posted a guard day and night to meet this threat.

Nehemiah 4:6,9

"In the middle of difficulty lies opportunity." Albert Einstein

After I looked things over, I stood up and said to the nobles, the officials and the rest of the people, "Don't be afraid of them. Remember the Lord, who is great and awesome, and *fight for your brothers, your sons and your daughters, your wives and your homes.*"

Nehemiah 4:14

"We must learn to live together as brothers or perish together as fools." Martin Luther King, Jr.

"Master," said John, "we saw a man driving out demons in your name and we tried to stop him, because he is not one of us." "Do not stop him," Jesus said, "for whoever is not against you is for you."

Luke 9:49-50

I had the leaders of Judah go up on top of the wall. I also assigned two large choirs to give thanks. And on that day the people offered great sacrifices, rejoicing because God had given them great joy. The women and children also rejoiced. The sound of rejoicing in Jerusalem could be heard far away.

Nehemiah 12:31,43

"We are what we believe we are, but when we believe that we are a part of something greater, we can do things we never thought possible." CS Lewis