



Nehemiah 6:1-14  
“I Am Doing a Great Work”  
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**Warm-up:** How would you characterize your current season of your life? Would you say that the distractions are currently more in the area of opportunities or oppositions?

- Have someone in your group read **Nehemiah 6:1-4** out loud. Single out the first part of verse 3 and say it in unison! The New Living Translation says, “**I am engaged in a great work, so I can’t come**”
  - What do you find interesting about how Nehemiah uses this phrase?
  - Share with the group how you may be able to use it in the same way!
  
- Read **Nehemiah 6:8-9**. These two verses form a nice two-fold response to criticism of our God-ordained work.
  - What are the two things that Nehemiah does that we should also do?
  - In what ways are criticism and fear types of focuses?
  - How do they work as types of distractions?
  
- Read **Nehemiah 6:11**. How does Nehemiah view himself compared to the work he is seeking to accomplish? Is he willing to risk his life in order to see it finished?
  - In what ways do you see people willing to risk their lives in order to finish God-ordained visions?
  - How do we, in our culture, risk ourselves to do God’s work?

**Wrap-up:** The enemy hates to see the work of God go forward in this world. He will seek to distract us from it at every point. Pray for one another to stay clear and focused on what the Lord has called you to in this season of life - undistracted.