



STONE BY STONE: LIFE LESSONS FROM NEHEMIAH

Nehemiah 1:5-11

**“The Prayer of
Nehemiah”**

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I. Praise to God

II. Confession

III. Remember

IV. Requests

I. Praise to God

Read Nehemiah 1:5. How does Nehemiah start his prayer? What do these words tell us about how Nehemiah viewed God?

What difference does it make that we have a high view of God?

How is the covenant between God and His people described? What are the responsibilities of God's people in this agreement?

What does the first part of Nehemiah 1:6 tell us about God?

II. Confession

What does Nehemiah 1:6-7 tell us happened in the relationship between God and His people?

How does Nehemiah take ownership in this? Why does this matter?

As we pray for the needs of others, for their renewal and forgiveness and commitment—what does God want to do in our lives?

III. Remember

What is God asked to do in Nehemiah 1:8-9?

Was Nehemiah afraid that God was going to be forgetful? Whom was Nehemiah reminding of the covenant promise of God?

What does God want us to remember about our relationship to Him? How does Acts 3:19 express our remembering of God?

IV. Requests

What request does Nehemiah make of God in Nehemiah 1:11? What does Nehemiah want God to do?

What was Nehemiah wanting to do? What does Ezra 4:18-22 tell us that would make this request a tough one for King Cyrus to grant?

How does the rest of Nehemiah's prayer bring him to this point?