

A Passion For God's People

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OT a story about God's covenant love with His people

<u>God</u>	<u>His people</u>	<u>Their sin</u>
Created	Adam & Eve	Disobeyed His command
Promised a people	Abram & Sarai	Disbelieved His power
Saved from famine	Israel in Egypt	Forgot His promise
Saved from slavery	In Exodus	Preferred slavery > _____
Blessings from obedience	Age of Judges	Rejected God's ethics
Was Israel's King	Age of Kings	Rejected God's _____
Intended temp tent	Built a Temple	Saw God as small, Isaiah 66:1
Sent messengers to warn	Prophets	Persecuted, killed prophets

Protagonist, v. 2

- means "comforted by Yahweh"
- kept a journal
- was cupbearer to the King—reveals _____
- not a pastor nor church leader, held a secular job

Nehemiah's prayer, Nehemiah's prayer models for me to, vv. 2-11a

1. Motivation for prayer: _____, vv. 2-3
2. Response: turn to God via _____ prayer, v. 4
3. _____ of prayer, vv. 5-11a
 - a. Worship God, v. 5
 - b. Identificational confession, vv. 6-7
 - Opposite is _____
 - A foreshadowing of Substitutional Atonement
 - c. Pray God's promises, vv. 8-9
 - d. Requests, vv. 10-11a

Nehemiah is a layperson, v. 11b

My reflection on God's love for His people

- How do I see Journey EC?
- I resolve to read a Bible chapter each day (scan QR code)
- I will begin regularly fasting and praying for a "broken wall".
- I repent of complaining. God please give me more of Your love.
- I'm interested in Jesus, contact me at _____

