NEHEMIAH

"GOD'S MERCY AND COVENANT"

Nehemiah 9:1-38

Lesson #10 January 10, 2024

REVIEW:

- A. Abraham's Covenant Nehemiah 9:1-8
 - 1) Drawing close to God can make us aware of spiritual needs we couldn't see before.
 - 2) They didn't just become sin conscious; they went to the Word to get God's perspective.
 - What has been a hindrance to us is not a hindrance to God, unless we can't get past it.
 - 4) Both are common names of the day, but their ministry would cause those names to rise above the others.
- B. Mercy in the Wilderness Nehemiah 9:9-21
 - 1) God's power is a blessing to those who serve Him, and destruction to those who rebel.
 - 2) They were not mindful of your wonders this happens when we become mindful of something else.
 - 3) It's so easy to become mindful of how God let us down when things don't go right. Here they looked at how God continued to protect them as the people rebelled.
 - 4) Disobedience doesn't seem to affect God's patience with us like outright rebellion can; It does depend on the mercy side of God, instead of His blessing side obedience and submission do.

- 5) You may receive **SOME BLESSINGS** while **DISOBEDIENT** to His will, but nothing like it could have been **UNDER SUBMISSION** to His will.
- 6) Just because there is **NO LACK** doesn't mean there is **ABUNDANT BLESSING**
- C. Mercy in the Promised Land..... Nehemiah 9:22-31
 - 1) This is where blessings in great abundance <u>AWAIT</u> Israel. They just had to by faith go and get it.
 - 2) As there was Moses in the wilderness, how many other intercessors were raised up during these times?
 - 3) God didn't do with them what His righteousness called for (destruction) though He had a right to.
- D. Mercy and Covenant Now Nehemiah 9:32-38
 - 1) True repentance does cover up or lessen the sin, but owns up to it and to the great mercy God has shown
 - 2) Recognizing the pattern of rebellion is a great step in preventing them from following it as well.
 - 3) God's work in us must come to a point of decision to change, and not merely stop at the point feeling like I want to change.

APPLICATION: We don't want God dealing with us for the sins of those who came before, as if we were the ones who did the sins.

True repentance is not just about acknowledging our sins; It's more about recognizing and being mindful of who God is, His mercy, and the good He has done despite our unfaithfulness.