



rebuilding
after
brokenness

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REPENTANCE

As you come to him, a living stone rejected by men but in the sight of God chosen and precious, you yourselves like living stones are being built up as a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ.

1 Peter 2:4-5

INTRODUCTION: THE BOOK OF NEHEMIAH

I. THE POSTURE OF REPENTANCE

As soon as I heard these words I sat down and wept and mourned for days, and I continued fasting and praying before the God of heaven.

Nehemiah 1:4

II. THE PROCESS OF REPENTANCE

. . . confessing the sins of the people of Israel, which we have sinned against you. Even I and my father's house have sinned. We have acted very corruptly against you and have not kept the commandments, the statutes, and the rules that you commanded your servant Moses. Nehemiah 1:6b-7

III. THE PROMISES OF REPENTANCE

. . . Therefore it says, "God opposes the proud, but gives grace to the humble."
James 4:6b

They will rebuild the ancient ruins and restore the places long devastated; they will renew the ruined cities that have been devastated for generations.
Isaiah 61:4 (NIV)

IV. CONCLUSIONS

"Also, seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you into exile. Pray to the Lord for it, because if it prospers, you too will prosper."
Jeremiah 29:7 (NIV)

Questions to Consider:

1. If you could change one thing about how you've responded to the events and circumstances surrounding 2020-2021, what would that be? Why?

2. Can you identify an area of brokenness in your own life that Jesus might want to heal or restore?

Let's invite Jesus to begin or continue that process of healing and restoration today

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