

# Divine Interruptions

When I heard these words, I sat down and wept and mourned for days; and I was fasting and praying before the God of heaven.

Nehemiah 1:4 (NASB)

## Observation

Today people seem to be very busy. We have demanding jobs, a side job, extracurricular activities, distracting technology, family schedules, friends, and sometimes a hobby to overfill our day. It is hard with so much on our plate to find room for one more thing. Nehemiah was probably no different. He was a very influential man who had many important things to do. But when he hears the bad report about Jerusalem, something very interesting happens; he sits down.

Often times we are so busy that we can't find the time to just sit down and hear from God. Part of the journey of faith is being able to get alone with God and pray. Nehemiah sat down and wept and mourned. He poured his heart out to God. If we are going to make a difference as a church, we must allow our burden to drive us to prayer. That means we will need to clear out the distractions and sit down. Many times our lives are so busy that there is no place for a divine interruption. We have schedules and plans, but maybe God wants to interrupt those plans. God rarely does something great without interrupting someone's life.

Would you allow God to interrupt your life and your lifestyle? Are you able to sit down and make some room for Him to work in your life?

## **Application**

Tell God that you are open to His interruption today. Set some extra time aside today for God to speak to you. Open your heart to the leading and teaching of the Holy Spirit. Ask God to begin to lead you as you consider your part in Open: Next Chapter. Our lives become more blessed and more a blessing when we allow His divine interruption.