3/27/2022 - Speaker - Al Schaap Series: Generations Scripture: Nehemiah 4 (p.474f.) Message: "Opposition? Pray! Prepare! Press On!"

## Scriptural Principles from Nehemiah for responding to opposition:

back on their own heads.

Response #2: \_\_\_\_\_\_<sup>6</sup> So we rebuilt the wall till all of it reached half its height....

Doing the right thing does not mean all will go smoothly. In fact, the opposite is often true:

· Taunting/ridicule

→ Hand the opposition to God...\_\_\_\_\_ <sup>4</sup> Hear us, our God, for we are despised. Turn their insults back on their own heads. Give them over as plunder in a land of captivity. <sup>5</sup> Do not cover up their guilt or blot out their sins from your sight, for they have thrown insults in the face of the builders.

→ And then \_\_\_\_\_! "So we rebuilt the wall till all of it reached half its height...

More opposition? More

- And \_\_\_\_\_\_ to meet the threat. · Tiredness & discouragement
- $\cdot$  Fear of the opposition (11,12)

In the face of opposition and more opposition:

- $\rightarrow$  They trusted God more than they feared the opposition...
- $\rightarrow$  And they kept moving forward as a team.

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Pray! Prepare! Press on!!! "Our God will fight for us!"

Key: prayer; press on; opposition often increases; pray; press on; prayer; preparation; stayed prepared; kept praying; pushed forward