HAND ME ANOTHER BRICK – Part XII "Overcoming Discouragement Matters" cont'd Reference: Nehemiah 4:13-23 Pastor Larry Webb

Nehemiah had started to encounter some serious discouragement among the men and families that were a part of his construction crews. This morning, we're going to find the solutions to that discouragement. Just as there were four causes of discouragement, there were now four cures to discouragement.

ONE... Nehemiah directed their efforts toward another

verse thirteen (see screen)

Entire families together were going to be both ______ and _____.

TWO... Nehemiah directed their attention to the _____ of

verse fourteen (see screen)

Nehemiah turned the people's attention from themselves and those unfortunate circumstances and turned their attention to God; and in particular, he told them to focus on the awesomeness of God. Reference: **Isaiah 26:3** (see screen)

Three practical things to remembering the Lord:

- Call to mind _____ God has _____.
- Call to mind _____ God has _____.
- Call to mind _____ God ____.

Reference: Psalm 121:1-2 (see screen)

THREE... Nehemiah directed them to ______ their building and battling.

verses fifteen - eighteen and twenty-one - twenty-three (see screen)

- The church **builds** through the spiritual ______ of individual congregants. Reference: I Corinthians 14:26; I Thessalonians 5:11 (see screen)
- The church **battles** through ______ the Christian faith. Reference: **Jude 1:3** (see screen)

To "contend" means "to _____ for something."

Definition: Christian apologetics is the science and discipline of ______ Christian doctrines through systematic argumentation and discourse. Reference: I Peter 3:15 (see screen)