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Nehemiah 4:6 *“So built we the wall; and all the wall was joined together unto the half thereof: for the people had a mind to work .”*

Nehemiah had returned from Babylon to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem. This was a large task. They had no current day mechanical equipment, surveying, hydraulics, computers, etc. Not only were they limited to the equipment of the day, but they were greatly discouraged by the Babylonian governors over the area and even had to arm themselves as they rebuilt the wall. Nehemiah 4:17 tells us, *“every one with one of his hands wrought in the work, and with the other hand held a weapon.”*

They were under a constant threat from enemies as they worked and had to work with one hand and hold a sword in the other. They had to be constantly watchful. Nehemiah 6:15 tells us they finished the wall in fifty-two days.

How could they accomplish such a task with so much against them? The LORD was on their side and the people had a mind to work.

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There are many forces of evil against the Bible and the pure teachings contained therein. How can we hope to reach others and take the Gospel to the world and influence others for Christ when all about us are enemies of plain Biblical truths? The LORD is for us and let's have a mind to work. Let's focus on the work before us and put our minds to it.

Those rebuilding the wall of Jerusalem had to work with one hand and hold a sword in the other. We are told in Ephesians 6:17 that the sword of the spirit is the word of God. Hebrews 4:12 says the word of God is sharper than any two-edged sword.

We have the sword in our hand which is sharper than any two-edged sword. Let's keep it by our side and in our hand as we have a mind to work and we will be able to accomplish much for the LORD.

—Marty Edwards❖

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II Chronicles 16:12, *“And Asa in the thirty and ninth year of his reign was diseased in his feet, until his disease was exceeding great: yet in his disease he sought not to the LORD, but to the physicians.”*

Asa had a disease in his feet that was great. He turned to the physicians and did not ask the LORD to help him with this disease. The next verse says that Asa died.

The LORD is certainly not saying we should avoid physicians. It's necessary to live a comfortable physical life and we do need to take care of the temple of God, which is our body. But, when illnesses and injuries occur, the first thing we need to do is to turn to the LORD.

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# News

—Continue to remember **Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jean Coffey, Alice Thrasher, Steve Seaton, Brad Terry and Kenneth Compton. Shirley Edwards** is in Healthsouth Rehabilitation Hospital in Elizabethtown recovering from a small stroke.

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The health care industry is huge. It's often hard to see a doctor. Insurance will not cover many things. You often will be denied treatment if you do not have insurance. It's mind boggling to try and navigate the legalities of health care. An injury requiring emergency attention will usually require you to wait for hours and of the paperwork, there is no end.

We as children of God have instant and immediate access to the greatest physician of all, the LORD. Let's pray to the LORD without ceasing, asking for good health and comfortable days until our time here ends. Then, as faithful children of the LORD we will receive that home in Heaven where there is no pain, suffering, illness or injury of any kind. We will have access to the LORD forever and to the tree of life which is for the healing of the nations.



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Revelation 22:1, 2 <sup>1</sup>“And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb. <sup>2</sup>In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, [was there] the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.”

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Sunday, September 18, 2016		
Classes	21	Ephesians 3:10-12
Preaching	24	Matthew 13:24-43
Contribution	\$617.00	
Evening	16	Proverbs 15:1-33
Wednesday, September 22, 2016		
Classes	17	Nehemiah 4:1-23

## Bible Quiz

Those rebuilding the wall of Jerusalem labored from the rising of the morning until what appeared?

Last Week's Answer— Her house (Proverbs 14:1)

Mark 2:17, “. . .*They that are whole have no need of the physician, but they that are sick: I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.*”

## —God's Plan of Salvation—

1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)