

# The Book of Nehemiah



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1The words|strong = "H1697" of Nehemiah|strong = "H5166" the son|strong = "H1121" of Hachaliah|strong = "H2446". And it came to pass in the month|strong = "H2320" Chisleu|strong = "H3691", in the twentieth|strong = "H6242" year|strong = "H8141", as I was in Shushan|strong = "H7800" the palace|strong = "H1002", <sup>2</sup> That Hanani|strong = "H2607", one|strong = "H0259" of my brethren|strong = "H0251", came|strong = "H0935", he and certain men|strong = "H0582" of Judah|strong = "H3063"; and I asked|strong = "H7592" them concerning the Jews|strong = "H3064" that had escaped|strong = "H6413", which were left|strong = "H7604" of the captivity|strong = "H7628", and concerning Jerusalem|strong = "H3389". <sup>3</sup> And they said|strong = "H0559" unto me, The remnant|strong = "H7604" that are left|strong = "H7604" of the captivity|strong = "H7628" there in the province|strong = "H4082" are in great|strong = "H1419" affliction|strong = "H7451" and reproach|strong = "H2781": the wall|strong = "H2346" of Jerusalem|strong = "H3389" also is broken down|strong = "H6555", and the gates|strong = "H8179" thereof are burned|strong = "H3341" with fire|strong = "H0784".

4¶ And it came to pass, when I heard|strong = "H8085" these words|strong = "H1697", that I sat down|strong = "H3427" and wept|strong = "H1058", and mourned|strong = "H0056" certain days|strong = "H3117", and fasted|strong = "H6684", and prayed|strong = "H6419" before|strong = "H6440" the God|strong = "H0430" of heaven|strong = "H8064",

5And said|strong = "H0559", I beseech|strong = "H0577" thee, O w LORD|strong = "H3068" w\* God|strong = "H0430" of heaven|strong = "H8064", the great|strong = "H1419" and terrible|strong = "H3372" God|strong = "H0410", that keepeth|strong = "H8104" covenant|strong = "H1285" and mercy|strong = "H2617" for them that love|strong = "H0157" him and observe|strong = "H8104" his commandments|strong = "H4687": <sup>6</sup> Let thine ear|strong = "H0241" now be attentive|strong = "H7183", and thine eyes|strong = "H5869" open|strong = "H6605", that thou mayest hear|strong = "H8085" the prayer|strong = "H8605" of thy servant|strong = "H5650", which I pray|strong = "H6419" before|strong = "H6440" thee now|strong = "H3117", day|strong = "H3119" and night|strong = "H3915", for the children|strong = "H1121" of Israel|strong = "H3478" thy servants|strong = "H5650", and confess|strong = "H3034" the sins|strong = "H2403" of the children|strong = "H1121" of Israel|strong = "H3478", which we have

sinned|strong = "H2398" against thee: both I and my father's|strong = "H0001" house|strong = "H1004" have sinned|strong = "H2398". <sup>7</sup> We have dealt very|strong = "H2254" corruptly|strong = "H2254" against thee, and have not kept|strong = "H8104" the commandments|strong = "H4687", nor the statutes|strong = "H2706", nor the judgments|strong = "H4941", which thou commandedst|strong = "H6680" thy servant|strong = "H5650" Moses|strong = "H4872". <sup>8</sup> Remember|strong = "H2142", I beseech thee, the word|strong = "H1697" that thou commandedst|strong = "H6680" thy servant|strong = "H5650" Moses|strong = "H4872", saying|strong = "H0559", If ye transgress|strong = "H4603", I will scatter you abroad|strong = "H6327" among the nations|strong = "H5971": <sup>9</sup> But if ye turn|strong = "H7725" unto me, and keep|strong = "H8104" my commandments|strong = "H4687", and do|strong = "H6213" them; though there were of you cast out|strong = "H5080" unto the uttermost part|strong = "H7097" of the heaven|strong = "H8064", yet will I gather|strong = "H6908" them from thence, and will bring|strong = "H0935" them unto the place|strong = "H4725" that I have chosen|strong = "H0977" to set|strong = "H7931" my name|strong = "H8034" there. <sup>10</sup> Now these are thy servants|strong = "H5650" and thy people|strong = "H5971", whom thou hast redeemed|strong = "H6299" by thy great|strong = "H1419" power|strong = "H3581", and by thy strong|strong = "H2389" hand|strong = "H3027". <sup>11</sup> O Lord|strong = "H0136", I beseech|strong = "H0577" thee, let now thine ear|strong = "H0241" be attentive|strong = "H7183" to the prayer|strong = "H8605" of thy servant|strong = "H5650", and to the prayer|strong = "H8605" of thy servants|strong = "H5650", who desire|strong = "H2655" to fear|strong = "H3372" thy name|strong = "H8034": and prosper|strong = "H6743", I pray thee, thy servant|strong = "H5650" this day|strong = "H3117", and grant|strong = "H5414" him mercy|strong = "H7356" in the sight|strong = "H6440" of this man|strong = "H0376". For I was the king's|strong = "H4428" cupbearer|strong = "H8248".

2And it came to pass in the month|strong = "H2320" Nisan|strong = "H5212", in the twentieth|strong = "H6242" year|strong = "H8141" of Artaxerxes|strong = "H0783" the king|strong = "H4428", that wine|strong = "H3196" was before|strong = "H6440" him: and I took up|strong = "H5375" the wine|strong = "H3196", and gave|strong = "H5414" it unto the king|strong = "H4428". Now I had not been beforetime sad|strong = "H7451" in his presence|strong = "H6440". <sup>2</sup> Wherefore the king|strong = "H4428" said|strong = "H0559" unto me, Why is thy countenance|strong = "H6440" sad|strong = "H7451", seeing thou art not sick|strong = "H2470"? this is nothing else but sorrow|strong = "H7455" of heart|strong = "H3820". Then I

was very|strong = "H3966" sore|strong = "H7235" afraid|strong = "H3372", <sup>3</sup>  
 And said|strong = "H0559" unto the king|strong = "H4428", Let the  
 king|strong = "H4428" live|strong = "H2421" for ever|strong = "H5769": why  
 should not my countenance|strong = "H6440" be sad|strong = "H3415", when  
 the city|strong = "H5892", the place|strong = "H1004" of my  
 fathers'|strong = "H0001" sepulchres|strong = "H6913", lieth  
 waste|strong = "H2720", and the gates|strong = "H8179" thereof are  
 consumed|strong = "H0398" with fire|strong = "H0784"? <sup>4</sup> Then the  
 king|strong = "H4428" said|strong = "H0559" unto me, For what dost thou  
 make request|strong = "H1245"? So I prayed|strong = "H6419" to the  
 God|strong = "H0430" of heaven|strong = "H8064". <sup>5</sup> And I  
 said|strong = "H0559" unto the king|strong = "H4428", If it  
 please|strong = "H2895" the king|strong = "H4428", and if thy  
 servant|strong = "H5650" have found favour|strong = "H3190" in thy  
 sight|strong = "H6440", that thou wouldest send|strong = "H7971" me unto  
 Judah|strong = "H3063", unto the city|strong = "H5892" of my  
 fathers'|strong = "H0001" sepulchres|strong = "H6913", that I may  
 build|strong = "H1129" it. <sup>6</sup> And the king|strong = "H4428"  
 said|strong = "H0559" unto me, (the queen|strong = "H7694" also  
 sitting|strong = "H3427" by him|strong = "H0681",) For how long shall thy  
 journey|strong = "H4109" be? and when wilt thou return|strong = "H7725"?  
 So it pleased|strong = "H3190" the king|strong = "H4428" to  
 send|strong = "H7971" me; and I set|strong = "H5414" him a  
 time|strong = "H2165". <sup>1</sup> <sup>7</sup> Moreover I said|strong = "H0559" unto the  
 king|strong = "H4428", If it please|strong = "H2895" the  
 king|strong = "H4428", let letters|strong = "H0107" be  
 given|strong = "H5414" me to the governors|strong = "H6346"  
 beyond|strong = "H5676" the river|strong = "H5104", that they may convey  
 me over|strong = "H5674" till I come|strong = "H0935" into  
 Judah|strong = "H3063"; <sup>8</sup> And a letter|strong = "H0107" unto  
 Asaph|strong = "H0623" the keeper|strong = "H8104" of the  
 king's|strong = "H4428" forest|strong = "H6508", that he may  
 give|strong = "H5414" me timber|strong = "H6086" to make  
 beams|strong = "H7136" for the gates|strong = "H8179" of the  
 palace|strong = "H1002" which appertained to the house|strong = "H1004",  
 and for the wall|strong = "H2346" of the city|strong = "H5892", and for the  
 house|strong = "H1004" that I shall enter into|strong = "H0935". And the  
 king|strong = "H4428" granted|strong = "H5414" me, according to the  
 good|strong = "H2896" hand|strong = "H3027" of my God|strong = "H0430"  
 upon me.

9¶ Then I came|strong = "H0935" to the governors|strong = "H6346"  
 beyond|strong = "H5676" the river|strong = "H5104", and  
 gave|strong = "H5414" them the king's|strong = "H4428"

<sup>1</sup> + 2.6 queen: Heb. wife

letters|strong = "H0107". Now the king|strong = "H4428" had sent|strong = "H7971" captains|strong = "H8269" of the army|strong = "H2428" and horsemen|strong = "H6571" with me. <sup>10</sup> When Sanballat|strong = "H5571" the Horonite|strong = "H2772", and Tobiah|strong = "H2900" the servant|strong = "H5650", the Ammonite|strong = "H5984", heard|strong = "H8085" of it, it grieved|strong = "H3415" them exceedingly|strong = "H7451" that there was come|strong = "H0935" a man|strong = "H0120" to seek|strong = "H1245" the welfare|strong = "H2896" of the children|strong = "H1121" of Israel|strong = "H3478". <sup>11</sup> So I came|strong = "H0935" to Jerusalem|strong = "H3389", and was there three|strong = "H7969" days|strong = "H3117".

12¶ And I arose|strong = "H6965" in the night|strong = "H3915", I and some|strong = "H4592" few|strong = "H4592" men|strong = "H0582" with me; neither told|strong = "H5046" I any man|strong = "H0120" what my God|strong = "H0430" had put|strong = "H5414" in my heart|strong = "H3820" to do|strong = "H6213" at Jerusalem|strong = "H3389": neither was there any beast|strong = "H0929" with me, save the beast|strong = "H0929" that I rode upon|strong = "H7392". <sup>13</sup> And I went out|strong = "H3318" by night|strong = "H3915" by the gate|strong = "H8179" of the valley|strong = "H1516", even before|strong = "H6440" the dragon|strong = "H8577" well|strong = "H5869", and to the dung|strong = "H0830" port|strong = "H8179", and viewed|strong = "H7663" the walls|strong = "H2346" of Jerusalem|strong = "H3389", which were broken down|strong = "H6555", and the gates|strong = "H8179" thereof were consumed|strong = "H0398" with fire|strong = "H0784". <sup>14</sup> Then I went on|strong = "H5674" to the gate|strong = "H8179" of the fountain|strong = "H5869", and to the king's|strong = "H4428" pool|strong = "H1295": but there was no place|strong = "H4725" for the beast|strong = "H0929" that was under me to pass|strong = "H5674". <sup>15</sup> Then went I up|strong = "H5927" in the night|strong = "H3915" by the brook|strong = "H5158", and viewed|strong = "H7663" the wall|strong = "H2346", and turned back|strong = "H7725", and entered|strong = "H0935" by the gate|strong = "H8179" of the valley|strong = "H1516", and so returned|strong = "H7725". <sup>16</sup> And the rulers|strong = "H5461" knew|strong = "H3045" not whither I went|strong = "H1980", or what I did|strong = "H6213"; neither had I as yet|strong = "H3651" told|strong = "H5046" it to the Jews|strong = "H3064", nor to the priests|strong = "H3548", nor to the nobles|strong = "H2715", nor to the rulers|strong = "H5461", nor to the rest|strong = "H3499" that did|strong = "H6213" the work|strong = "H4399".