

# Before the THRONE

## The Devotional

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Nehemiah 6:5-14

“Then Sanballet sent his servant... a fifth time... and *in a written threat* said, “It is reported... that you and the Jews intend to rebel – that is why you built the wall so that you may be their king. And that you have appointed prophets to proclaim... “there is a king in Jerusalem!” “Then *Nehemiah* sent to Sanballet saying... “you invent these things in your own heart.” For their intent was to make us afraid. Now Nehemiah prayed, “Therefore O God, strengthen our hands.” Afterward...(the enemy) then hired a prophet to encourage Nehemiah to hide. And I said, “Should such a man as I flee? I will not...” Therefore he was hired, that I should be afraid and sin, and that the enemy might have an evil report concerning me.” “My God think upon these enemies and false prophets, who would put me in fear.” Nehemiah 6:5-14

Those who know their God, and know who they are in Christ, pose the greatest threat to the kingdom of darkness. “But the people that know their God shall be strong and do exploits!” (Daniel 11:32b) Satan challenged Jesus on this point; “If You are the Son of God...” (Matthew 4:3, 6). The spiritual man discerns all things – his place under God as well as the lies and innuendo of deceit. He also quickly calls upon the Lord for defense and protection when placed in compromising situations, trusting the Lord rather than man – because his conscience is clear. Neither does such a man need to run or hide, for he is living in and loving the light. (1 John 1:7).

Fear is a sin and should be treated as such. It should be repented of and rejected. Never compromise with fear it will only magnify itself. “For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.” (2 Timothy 1:7).

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