

NEHEMIAH 3:31

THE INSPECTION GATE

THE GATES OF JERUSALEM

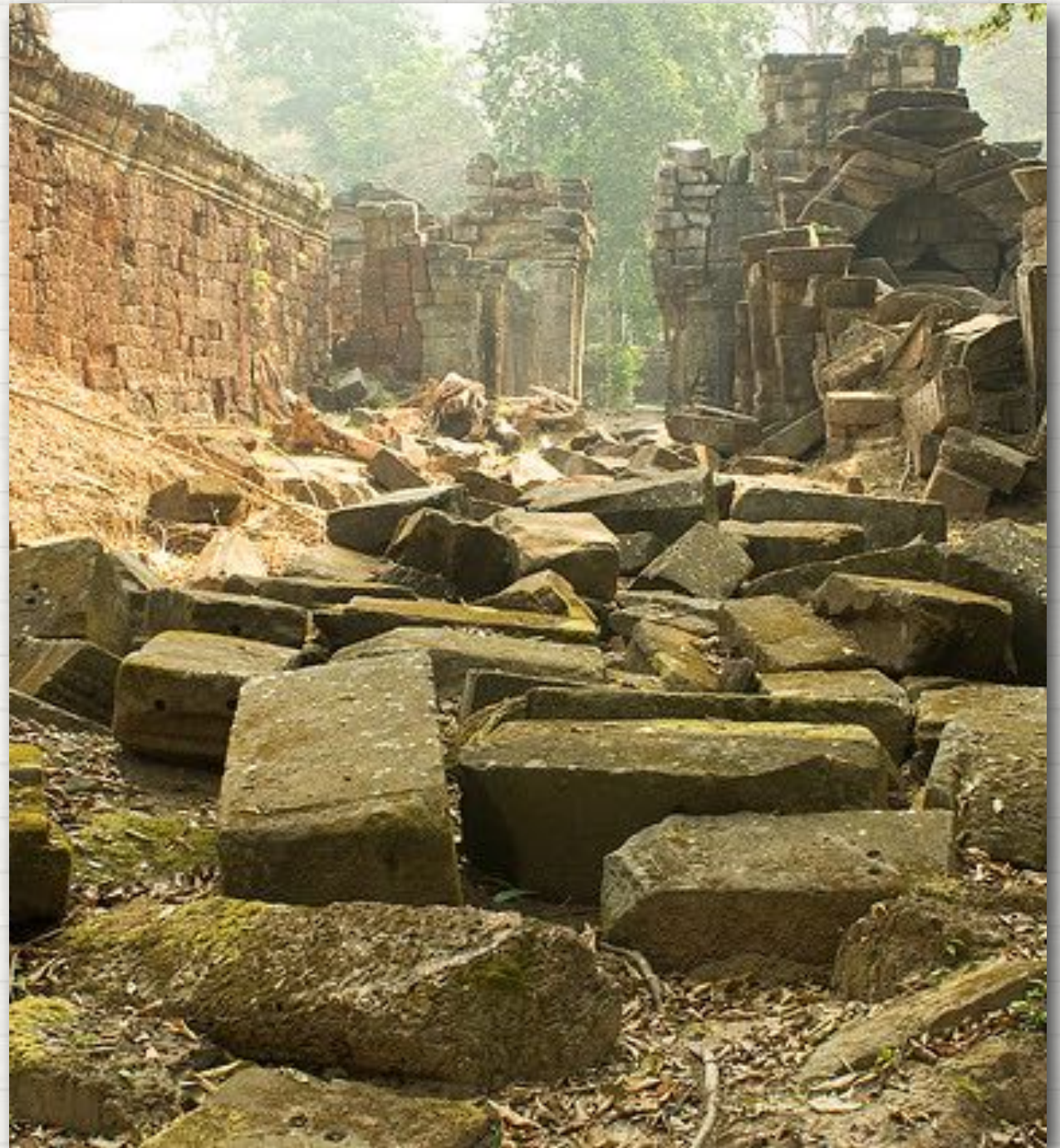
NEHEMIAH 3

- The walls of Jerusalem had lain in ruin for 150 years
- Ezra 4:6-23 - 75 years before Nehemiah, the people had tried to rebuild the walls but had failed
- Jerusalem, the "city of peace", was in great distress

NEHEMIAH 1:3

REPORT OF JERUSALEM

They said to me, "The remnant there in the province who survived the captivity are in great distress and reproach, and the wall of Jerusalem is broken down and its gates are burned with fire."



THE CHARACTER OF NEHEMIAH

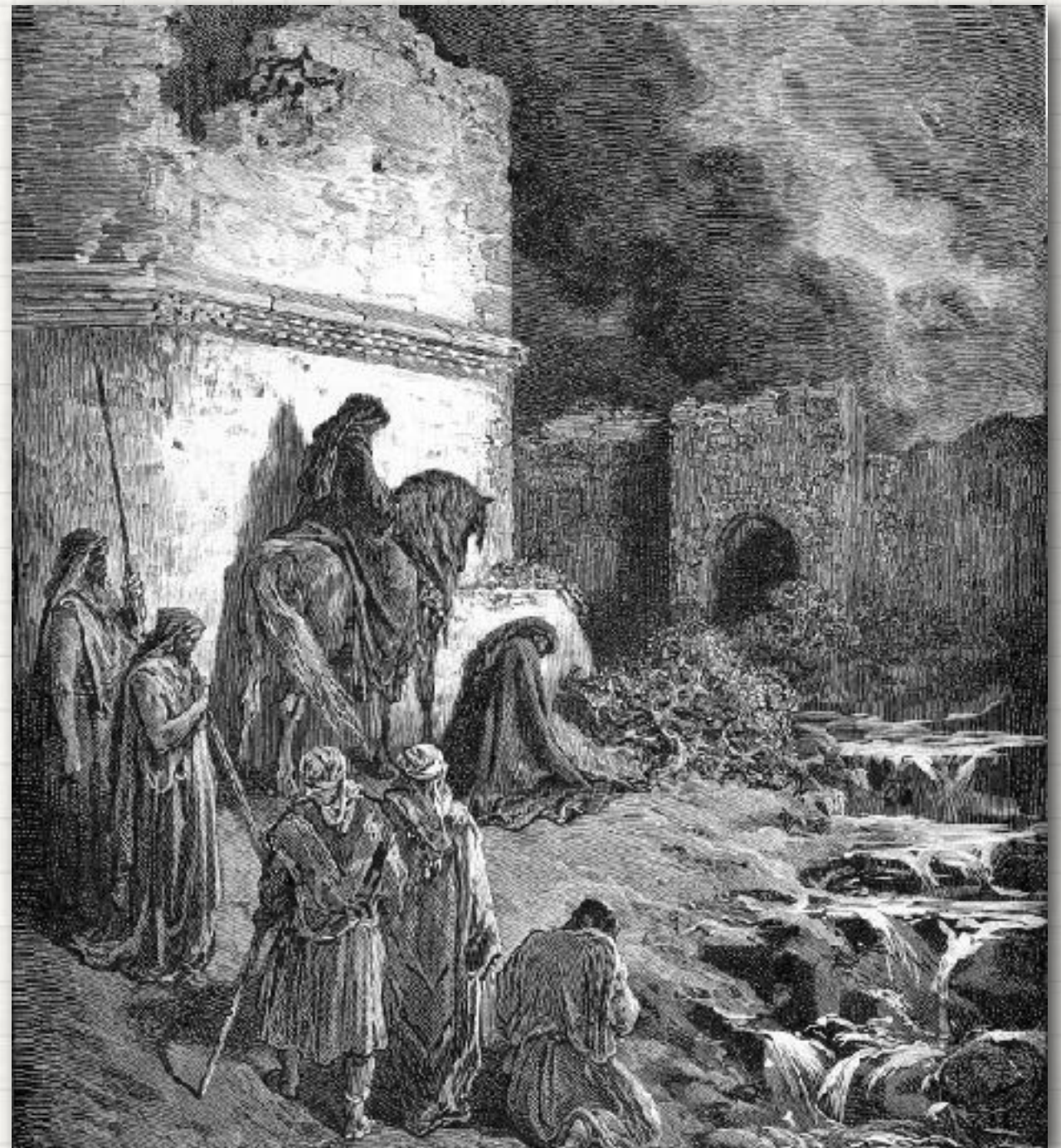
DETERMINED TO DO GOD'S WILL

- Not content to let things be
- Asked the King of the Persian Empire for time off
- His courage paid off

NEHEMIAH 2:13

NEHEMIAH INSPECTS THE WALLS

So I went out at night by the Valley Gate in the direction of the Dragon's Well and on to the Refuse Gate, inspecting the walls of Jerusalem which were broken down and its gates which were consumed by fire.



NEHEMIAH'S INSPECTION

TO UNDERSTAND THE SIZE OF THE JOB

- An inspection is done to determine how well the job at hand can be done
- If there is a job to be done, we need to know how equipped are we for it?

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After him Malchijah, one of the goldsmiths, carried out repairs as far as the house of the temple servants and of the merchants, in front of the Inspection Gate and as far as the upper room of the corner.



NEHEMIAH'S CONTRIBUTION

TO ENCOURAGE OTHERS

- In 52 days, the walls had been rebuilt
- He saw the need
- He inspected the task
- He motivated others to do it

THE INSPECTION GATE

SELF-ASSESSMENT

- There is a job to do
- How well equipped are we to do it?
- It is not the big inspection that we are waiting for at the end of time
- The time has come, to get ourselves prepared to do what needs to be done now

LUKE 10:17-20

JESUS RECEIVES THE 72 BACK

The seventy-two returned with joy and said, "Lord, even the demons submit to us in your name." He replied, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you. However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."



THE COMMISSION

TO BRING MORE OF HEAVEN TO EARTH

- "Your kingdom come"
- Every time we do something good
- We bring a little more of heaven to earth
- Jesus told the 72 to rejoice because they had left their mark in heaven!



Street connected children in Kenya

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- Mitch
- Abii
- Jess



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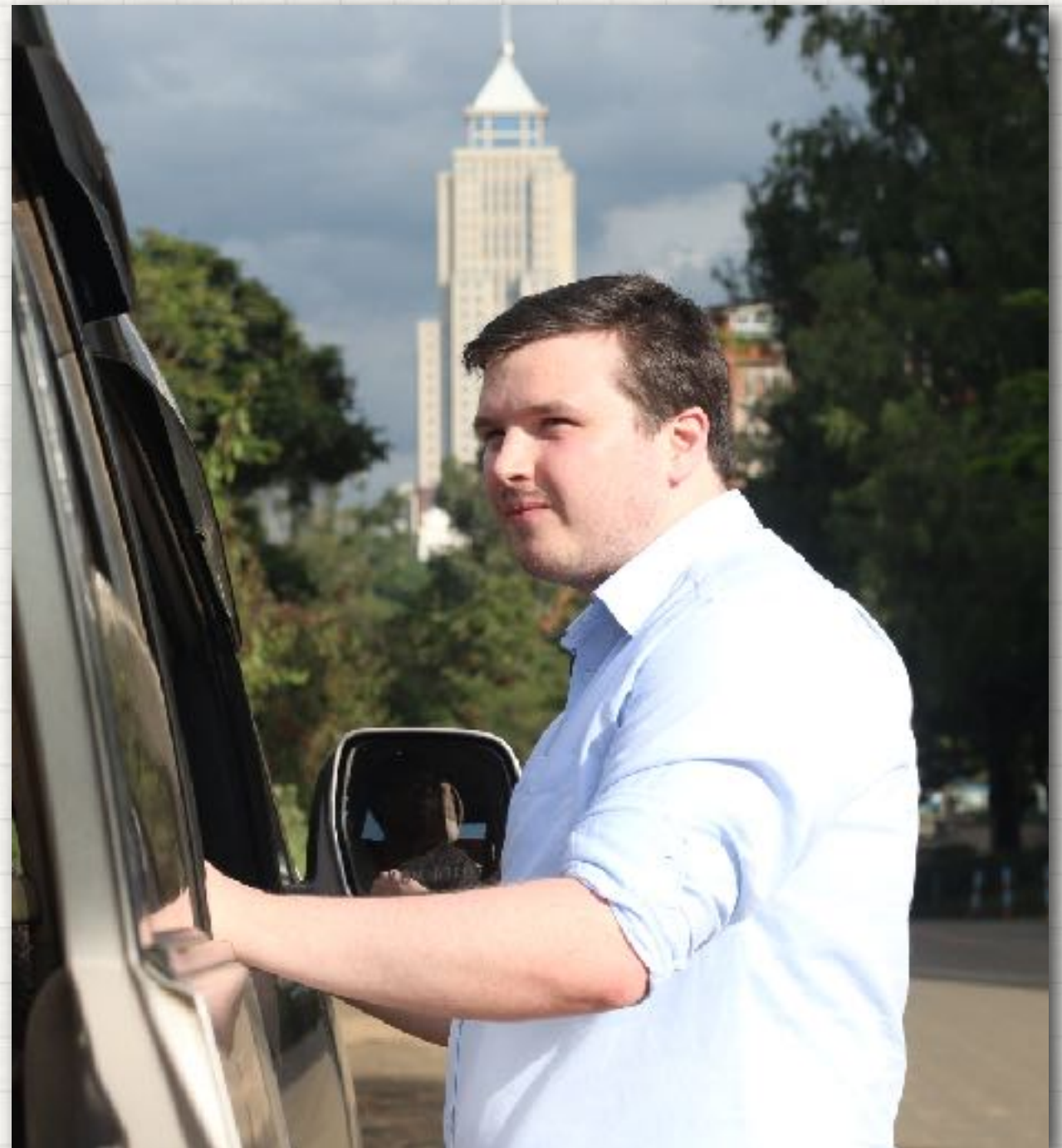
- **Abii**
- Had prayed to God that she wanted to do some video work for a charity abroad.
- One week later, I phoned her inviting her to go on the trip.



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- **Mitch**
- Prayed for a mother who had developed Tetanus on a nasty leg wound and asked her to take off the bandages so that we could see if there had been any healing.
- Impacted the faith of the TKW staff





Mitch prays for a woman with Tetanus

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- Jess
- "Divine Connections"
- Grandfather helped set up Africa International University
- John's wife worked there





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- Jem
- Picture of someone with an arm bandage 2/5/18
- Saw this person in Nairobi on the Wednesday 16/5/18







MATTHEW 16:16-19

I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH

16. Simon Peter answered, "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."
17. And Jesus said to him, "Blessed are you, Simon Barjona, because flesh and blood did not reveal this to you, but My Father who is in heaven.
18. I also say to you that you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build My church; and the gates of Hades will not overpower it.
19. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; and whatever you bind on earth shall have been bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall have been loosed in heaven."

ON A MISSION FROM GOD

HOW EQUIPPED DO YOU FEEL?

1. On a scale of 1 - 10, ask yourself how equipped do you feel?
2. Spend a minute to ask the Holy Spirit what you need to be equipped to do the task at hand?
3. Spend another minute to ask the Holy Spirit what do you need to do to get yourself prepared to be equipped to do the task at hand?