Seven Characteristics of a Servant-Leader

Rebuilding Your Fallen World

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Those from among you shall build the old waste places; You shall raise up the foundations of many generations; And you shall be called the Repairer of the Breach, The restorer of Streets to Dwell In.

— Isaiah 58:12

NEHEMIAH 1-13

1. $S_{ympathetic}$

- Wept for others (1:4).
- Hated injustice (5:2-6).
- Fed and supported others (5:17-18).

2. $E_{\text{nthusiastic}}$

- Habitually Joyful (2:1).
- Joy was his source of power (8:10).
- Loved and valued celebration (12:27-47).

3. $R_{ m eflective}$

- Reflective praying before acting (2:11-13).
- Reflective praying before speaking (5:7).

$V_{\underline{isionary}}$

- Nehemiah was a problem solver (1:4-11).
- He anticipated problems (2:7-8).

• He saw beyond the moment (7-12).

5. A_{ttentive}

- Nehemiah always focused on his goal.
- He devised a plan (2:5-18).
- He structured the work (3:1-32).
- He refused to be distracted (6:3-4).

6. N_{ervy}

- When asking the king for permission (2:2).
- When responding to enemy attacks (4:14).
- When confronting corruption (5:7-13).

7. $T_{\text{rusting and}} T_{\text{ireless}}$

Nehemiah refused to give up or become discouraged in spite of strong constant opposition.

- He trusted God in trouble (4:1-23).
- He was tireless in efforts (6:1-19).



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