

Jan. 11 '09 Night Vision Rev. 3:11-13; Gen.11: 1-7;Gen. 12:1-3; Neh. 1:

**1 Cor. 15:55** because Christ has overcome death and the grave, he has made us over-comers also. We need to live it. If we overcome rather than be overcome, we will rise up and he will make us pillars in the temple of God. He who has an ear, let him hear what the Spirit has to say to the churches.

**Gen. 11:1-7** Unity is powerful, even in rebellion. Does the enemy have us so distracted and focused on our own abilities that even as people of God we are building our own towers? God stops rebellious unity. Jesus is taking bricks from Satan's tower, redeeming them, and making them His own. If we live by what we see, it looks like the enemy is winning. Little by little we're gaining ground. Soon, Satan's tower will tumble.

Towering problems requires towering faith

**Gen. 12:1-3 Visualize** what God has for you. Sometimes we can't see the vision because it means a loss. We are not willing to give anything up. Friends, activities, habits... if we don't leave, He will take His vision away. All he has for us is in exchange for what we have. i.e. He takes our sin and gives us eternal life. What are you visualizing? Sometimes our vision is so skewed that He needs to open the eyes of our heart. May we see things from His perspective.

**Neh. 1:1-3** Nehemiah began to **Agonize** over the state of Jerusalem. Do we realize that there is sin in the world? Sometimes we are so focused on our "things" that we forget the real problem. We need night vision, in the darkness of the world we need to see the light. The problem with the world is not our shrinking bank accounts; it's people in sin dying without a saviour. We need to agonize over those people. Part of that agonizing is prayer.

Nehemiah began to **Organize** things by asking the king's permission to do something. Have we asked the King's permission for the things we have organized: a purchase, a relationship, a pursuit? Without it we will come back to agonizing. If we have the permission of the King, the provision of the King will **Materialize**. He won't finance someone else's projects don't think an open door automatically means permission. We should be hearing the voice of God. He will make us pillars only if we overcome. If we follow these steps nothing is too difficult for God. Get alone with Him, let Him speak a promise to you, (the Bible is full of them) then pray it through. If we will begin to agonize and organize the vision will materialize. Christianity is not the subtraction of problems; it's the addition of power; the power of the Holy Spirit.