

## **Nehemiah (God is Faithful)**

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### **Nehemiah 1:11**

*1:11 O Lord, let your ear be attentive to the prayer of your servant, and to the prayer of your servants who delight to fear your name, and give success to your servant today, and grant him mercy in the sight of this man.”*

*Now I was cupbearer to the king.*

- **Cupbearer** – Main job was to serve the wine to the royal table. Cupbearers had to guard the cup carefully and would sometimes taste the drink before serving it to ensure it was safe since kings were concerned about plots to poison them. Being a cupbearer meant you had the king’s confidence and trust.
- God’s grace in chaos is that He sets up Nehemiah with access to the ruling authority.  
**Romans 13:1** *Let every person be subject to the governing authorities. For there is no authority except from God, and those that exist have been instituted by God.*  
Cf. Proverbs 16:9; Isaiah 46:10

**2 Timothy 2:13** *if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself.*

### **Discipleship Homework:**

Spend some time this week meditating on how God is using the season you are in now for His glory and your edification?

**1 Corinthians 10:31** *So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.*

A few ways to glorify God in your season:

- 1) Be thankful. Cf. Psalm 86:12
- 2) Worship through signing. Cf. Psalm 96:1-3
- 3) Serve others. Cf. Matthew 20:26-28
- 4) Use your gifts. Cf. 1 Peter 4:10-11
- 5) Share the gospel. Cf. 2 Corinthians 5:18-21