

## Lead the Way: Leadership Lessons from Nehemiah

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1. Can you think of a time when someone hounded you multiple times to stop doing what you knew God wanted you to do, as happened to Nehemiah in 6:1-5? How did you respond? How should you have responded?
2. What is the significance of the fact that the letter in 6:5-7 was left unsealed? Are leaks of confidential information, or even false information, effective in undermining political leaders? Have you seen that happen in the church as well?
3. What should we do when someone spreads rumors about us that contain flat falsehoods?
4. Are imprecatory prayers (prayers for God's judgment on someone for ungodly behavior), like the prayer in 6:14, appropriate for us to pray today? Under what circumstances?
5. Why do you think God allowed Nehemiah to continue to experience opposition even after the wall was finished (6:17-19)?
6. Why does God take up precious space in His Word for a list of names (chapter 7), most of whom we know nothing about, especially since this list is almost identical to one in Ezra 2?