

# Who's Watching?



Observing some things:

*\*Steps for God Get Noticed\**

- Moses drew Pharaoh's fire
- Elijah faced an angry Queen
- Nehemiah faced angry Leaders
- Paul faced persecution and jail

*\*When you Step Forward For God, You Get Your Own Bulls Eye!\**

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Observing Some Things:

- Stepping Out People are Getting Hammered!
- Making a Move for God is bringing:
  - health problems
  - marriage attacks
  - financial challenges
  - family and job issues
  - depression and discouragement

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Wondering Some Things:

- Why - are they related no matter what
- Because we wear the bulls eye - does that mean we will be hurt?
- How many quit doing for God because of this?
- What blessing are people missing by hiding?
- Is there an answer in Scripture?

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Story of the Wall Builders:

- Nehemiah and the God driven passion

- The Wall is Worked on:

- *“So we rebuilt the wall till all of it reached half it’s height, for the people worked with all their heart.” 4:6*

- *”They all plotted together to come and fight against Jerusalem and stir up trouble against it. **But we prayed** to God and **posted** a guard day and night to meet this threat. Meanwhile, the people in Judah said, ‘The strength of the laborers is giving out, and there is so much rubble that we cannot rebuild the wall. Also our enemies said, Before you know it or see us we will be right there among them and will kill them and put an end to the work.’ 4:8-11*

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Story of the Wall Builders:

- *“Don’t be afraid of them. Remember the Lord who is great and awesome, and fight for your brothers, your sons and your daughters, your wives and your homes. When our enemies heard that we were aware of their plot and that God had frustrated it, we all returned to the wall, each to his own work. From that day on, half of my men did the work, while the other half were equipped with spears, shields, bows and armor. The officers posted themselves behind all the people of Judah who were building the wall. Those who carried materials did their work with one hand and held a weapon with the other, and each of the builders wore his sword at his side while he worked. But the man who sounded the trumpet stayed with me.”*

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Discovering Some Truth: Need The Watchmen!

*“When I bring the sword against a land, and the people of the land choose one of their men and make him their watchman, and he sees the sword coming against the land and blows the trumpet to warn the people then if anyone hears the trumpet but does not take warning and the sword comes and takes his life, his blood will be on his own head. Since he heard the sound of the trumpet but did not take warning, his blood will be on his own head. If he had taken warning, he would have saved himself. But if the watchman sees the sword coming and does not blow the trumpet to warn the people and the sword comes and takes the life of one of them, that man will be taken away because of his sin, but I will hold the watchman accountable for his blood.” Ezekiel 33:2-6*

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Suggestions:

- People passionate about serving God
- Difficult results bring discouragement
- Have trouble discerning - rock thrown at us and one that simple fell off the wall
- Culture that has not cultivated nor appreciated the watchman
- Those who see and discern the truth in our circumstances and situation, and issue the call to arms!

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This I Know For Sure:

- There is real spiritual attack in our lives
- It affects us physically, emotionally, spiritually
- Outcome is certain - if we fight God's way
- "Don't be afraid, Remember the Lord who is great and awesome..."
- We need to cultivate watchmen
  - able to stand guard - warn the workers
  - vigilant, alert, wise, discerning, warriors



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So What

1. See The Weak Spots & Post a Guard
    - personal life
    - marriage
    - family of faith
- \* Keep working and praying while guarding

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2. Sword and a Trowel are both important

- know your gift – get to work
- know your bible – have the truth ready
- know how to pray – take obstacles to the one who can fix them

\* Often focus on one or the other – both are important tools to be able to use in building for God! \*

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## 3. Identify and Empower Watchmen In Life

- personally – allowing others to see into your life
- marriage – legacy leavers, wisdom from age, others who have walked your road
- family of faith – gifts of discernment, spiritual awareness – charge to the elders of the church, listen and respond to them