

THE DIVINE TAPESTRY

Part 46

“God Stirs the Afraid”

Nehemiah 1-2:7

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Ron Hutchcraft states: “I thought I had seen the scenery below me before. The pilot soon confirmed my suspicion: Our flight had been placed in a holding pattern. That meant we were no longer making any forward progress; we were just continuing to circle the ground we had covered before. The repeating scenery confirmed the pilot’s words.

You can get tired of being in a holding pattern really fast. Especially if it’s your *life* that seems to be in a holding pattern. Like a circling aircraft, your life does not seem to be standing still. There is plenty of activity around you. It’s just that you aren’t really going anywhere. Spiritually, the ground looks all too familiar. And your soul wants more. That’s because you were designed for more – much more ...That passion to make a greater difference with the rest of your life is from the One who gave you your life ...who gave His life for you! And only He can satisfy that desire to make a difference. And He will – if you will follow Him into the very eternal pursuit He has made you restless for.” ~Excerpt from *Called to Greatness* by Ron Hutchcraft, pp. 17-18

Are you feeling stirred by God to meet a need? How can we know in an age when audible prophecy has ceased? How should we respond to the prompting of God?

In Nehemiah we find a man in our very situation...

BREAKDOWN AND BACKGROUND

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- God was **stirring** and Nehemiah **heard**.
 - If God is **sovereign** ...nothing is **trivial**.
 - God uses “**bombs**” and “**BB’s**” to get His **point** across.
 - Nehemiah knew **when** he was stirred.
- Stirring led to **prayer**.
 - **Pray**
 - **Remembrance**
 - **Aid**
 - **Yield**
- Prayer led to **personal action**.
 - In the Christian life **dependence** and **direction** go hand in hand.

Notice: Responding to God's call is **fearful** no matter your **station** or **situation**.

THE CALL

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