## Sunday

9:30 am Worship Service 10:45 am Adult Sunday School

## Monday

6:00 pm Bible Study 7:00 pm NA (Narcotics Anonymous)

## **Tuesday**

6:30 am Bible Study 4:00 pm Prayer Gathering 5:30 pm Dr. Paul's bible overview & Inductive bible study Workshop/seminar

## Wednesday

10:00 am Sisters In Christ 4:30 pm Anchored Kids 5:00 pm Bible Study Thursday—April 18

3:00 pm - Children Education Meeting

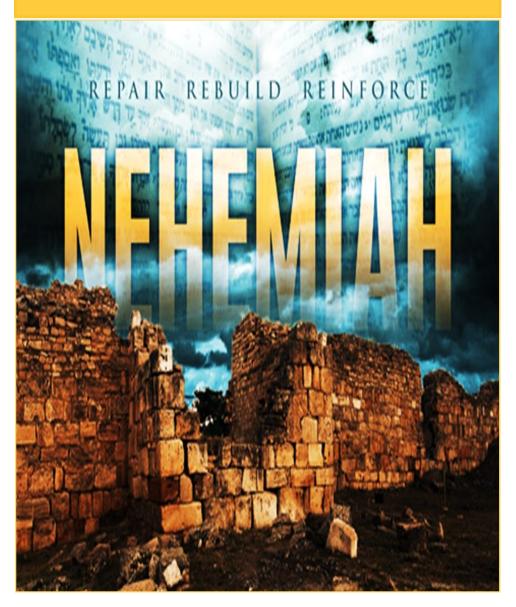


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# **Sermon Notes**


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# Catching the Vision: **Restoring God's World** Part 2 April 14,2024



**Prelude :** Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

### Introit

## \*Call to Worship

\*Opening Hymn –UMH # 368 - My Hope is Built

#### **Announcements**

Congregational Prayer & The Lord's Prayer

**Prayer Response** 

Lord I lift Your name on High
(Offering)
Goodness of God

UMH #95 Doxology & Prayer of Dedication

\*Scripture - Nehemiah 2

Hymn #393 -Spirit of the Living God

Message: Catching the Vision: Restoring God's World

\*Closing Hymn—UMH # 128 –He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought

\*Benediction

**Postlude :** I Sing the Mighty Power of God

# **Congregational Prayer**

Father in heaven, we love You, We come before Your throne of grace and mercy to praise and worship You for who You are and what You have done in our lives.

We thank you for your son Jesus Christ who took our sins upon himself and died our death on the cross and rose again to give us a new life.

Jesus, You came to seek and save the lost. You came to rescue us, rebuild our lives, and make us an instrument of blessing to the world.

As you gave a vision to Nehemiah to restore the broken city of Jerusalem give us a vision to restore our city and our nation.

Like Nehemiah who cried out to you and prayed for the restoration of the broken city of Jerusalem and the broken walls of Jerusalem. We cry out to you for the restoration of the broken lives of the people around us and among us. Father, this is your world, and we declare you sovereign over all the world.

Father, give us the wisdom and power of the Holy Spirit so that we may use all that You have given to restore this broken world for the sake of your Holy and Loving Name.

Lord, we pray for all our civic leaders in this nation that you would guide them in Your grace, wisdom, and strength so that they will work for the welfare of this nation. Lord, we pray for the sick among us for your healing touch upon their lives. Lord, we pray for Your peace and comfort for those who are grieving the loss of their loved ones.

We pray this and all our unspoken petitions through the name of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, Who taught us to pray:

Our Father...

\*Congregation please stand as able Liturgist: Carol Reed

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