

Un-stop-pa-ble

(adj.) A Church That Doesn't Stop

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UNSTOPPABLE

PART II: LET'S TALK ABOUT THE FOX IN THE ROOM

Nehemiah 4:1-3 (NLT). *Sanballat was very angry when he learned that we were rebuilding the wall. He flew into a rage and mocked the Jews, saying in front of his friends and the Samaritan army officers, "What does this bunch of poor, feeble Jews think they're doing? Do they think they can build the wall in a single day by just offering a few sacrifices? Do they actually think they can make something of stones from a rubbish heap—and charred ones at that?" Tobiah the Ammonite, who was standing beside him, remarked, "That stone wall would collapse if even a fox walked along the top of it!"*

When you walk in mission you will face opposition:

- Annoyance - Nehemiah 2:10
- Mockery - Nehemiah 2:19
- Confusion - Nehemiah 4:7-8
- Fear - Nehemiah 4:11
- Distraction - Nehemiah 6:2-3
- Gossip - Nehemiah 6:4-6

REMEMBER: An unstoppable church is a church that is empowered by the Holy Spirit.

Luke 24:49 (NLT). *"And now I will send the Holy Spirit, just as my Father promised. But stay here in the city until the Holy Spirit comes and fills you with power from heaven."*

John 16:7 (NLT). *But in fact, it is best for you that I go away, because if I don't, the Advocate[a] won't come. If I do go away, then I will send him to you.*

THE HOLY SPIRIT GIVES US:

1. THE ENABLING POWER TO [START].

Nehemiah 1:11 (NLT). *O Lord, please hear my prayer! Listen to the prayers of those of us who delight in honoring you. Please grant me success today by making the king favorable to me. [a] Put it into his heart to be kind to me."*

Acts 1:8 (NLT). *But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."*

2. THE ENABLING POWER TO [REMAIN].

Nehemiah 4:10 (NLT). *Then the people of Judah began to complain, "The workers are getting tired, and there is so much rubble to be moved. We will never be able to build the wall by ourselves."*

Ephesians 3:16-17 (NLT). *I pray that from his glorious, unlimited resources he will empower you with inner strength through his Spirit. Then Christ will make his home in your hearts as you trust in him. Your roots will grow down into God's love and keep you strong.*

3. THE ENABLING POWER TO [FINISH]

Nehemiah 6:15-16 (NLT). *So on October 2 the wall was finished—just fifty-two days after we had begun. When our enemies and the surrounding nations heard about it, they were frightened and humiliated. They realized this work had been done with the help of our God.*

John 16:12-13 (NLT). *"There is so much more I want to tell you, but you can't bear it now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all truth. He will not speak on his own but will tell you what he has heard. He will tell you about the future..."*



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