

Ministry & The Work of God: 4

The Work of God Is Not A One-Man Operation

Nehemiah 3

Nehemiah didn't share the vision until after he had viewed the city and prepared himself for the task ahead.

- After he shared what God had put on His heart to do, the people were inspired and motivated
- The people rise and begin building – (2. 17-18)

We're All In This Together

- The task of rebuilding the wall was huge

1 Corinthians 12.12-31 & Ephesians 4.11-16

The work of ministry is not a one-man band - we're all in it together.

Paul uses the illustration of the body to show how we should function together

- 40 different people groups worked together
- The work of ministry needs those who can perform different functions.
- The work of God needs all types of ministries
- When we all come together and do our part the work of God grows.

Three Important Lessons

- Unity of Intention. This could not have been achieved without:
 - The *good supervision* of Nehemiah.
 - *Close co-operation*. Nehemiah used the best people for the job.
 - *Support for each other*.
- Use the Best People for the task.
- Challenge to Get Involved. Motivate and challenge one another to get involved