

ORDINARY DIFFERENCE MAKERS
Nehemiah 1:1-4 & Nehemiah 2:3-5
Make a Difference Week 1

"The words of Nehemiah son of Hacaliah: In the month of Kislev in the twentieth year, while I was in the citadel of Susa, 2 Hanani, one of my brothers, came from Judah with some other men, and I questioned them about the Jewish remnant that survived the exile, and also about Jerusalem. 3 They said to me, "Those who survived the exile and are back in the province are in great trouble and disgrace. The wall of Jerusalem is broken down, and its gates have been burned with fire." 4 When I heard these things, I sat down and wept. For some days I mourned and fasted and prayed before the God of heaven." - Nehemiah 1:1-4

ORDINARY WORLD CHANGERS

1) SIT DOWN TO CRY.

"When I heard these things, I sat down and wept." - Nehemiah 1:4

WHAT BREAKS YOUR HEART?

2) KNEEL DOWN TO PRAY.

"...For some days I mourned and fasted and prayed before the God of heaven."- Nehemiah 1:4

3) STAND UP TO ACT.

"...I said to the king, "May the king live forever! Why should my face not look sad when the city where my fathers are buried lies in ruins, and its gates have been destroyed by fire?" 4 The king said to me, "What is it you want?" Then I prayed to the God of heaven, 5 and I answered the king, "If it pleases the king and if your servant has

found favor in his sight, let him send me to the city in Judah where my fathers are buried so that I can rebuild it."- Nehemiah 2:3-5

Digging Deeper & Life Application

- What breaks your heart? How has having this burden impacted you?
- What's your next step towards taking action on your burden?