

**Nehemiah and the Wall**

**Bible Story Lesson Plan (Ages 2-6)**

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| **Books** | **Read and reread the story of Nehemiah:*** [***Victory on the Walls: A Story of Nehemiah***](http://www.amazon.com/Victory-Walls-Nehemiah-History-Library/dp/1883937965/ref%3Dsr_1_1?ie=UTF8&qid=1444837314&sr=8-1&keywords=nehemiah+wall+children+books) **by Frieda Clark Hyman**
* [***Nehemiah build a wall Activity Book***](http://www.amazon.com/Nehemiah-build-Wall-Warner-Press/dp/1593177461/ref%3Dsr_1_2?ie=UTF8&qid=1444837314&sr=8-2&keywords=nehemiah+wall+children+books)**by Warner Press Kids**
* [***The King’s Cup-Bearer: The amazing story of Nehemiah and his building of the wall of Jerusalem***](http://www.amazon.com/Kings-Cup-Bearer-Nehemiah-building-Jerusalem/dp/1500192554/ref%3Dsr_1_4?ie=UTF8&qid=1444837314&sr=8-4&keywords=nehemiah+wall+children+books)**by Mrs. O.F. Walton**
* ***Nehemiah and the Wall* by Christian Science Publishing Society**
* [**Nehemiah (story sheet)**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B5m7P2KoYGgva2p4d1R6ZG5ldWM/view?usp=sharing)

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| **Discussion Questions** | **What do you remember?*** **Who was in this story?**
* **Where did Nehemiah live?**
* **What was his job in the palace?**
* **What did he ask the king for?**
* **Why did Nehemiah want to return to Jerusalem?**
* **What did he want to do there and why?**
* **What did all the people do to rebuild the wall?**
* **Why did they use tools and a sword?**
 | **What lessons and values can we learn from Nehemiah?*** **to listen to God**
* **to pray**
* **to be obedient to what God is telling  you**
* **Even though the task might be difficult, pray to God and be obedient to what He’s asking you to do, and you will finish the task.**
* **to watch**
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| **Extension Activities** |
| **Language Arts** | * [**Nehemiah activities from “Bible Wise”**](http://www.biblewise.com/kids/char_topic/nehemiah.php)
* [**Booklet and activities:  Nehemiah, Esther, Job, Daniel, Jonah etc.**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B5m7P2KoYGgvNUR1RkwyWWdTOVU/view?usp=sharing)
* [**Map of the route of Nehemiah**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B5m7P2KoYGgvbXBrNGhsRWRJYUE/view?usp=sharing) **(graceofourlord.com)**
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| **Crafts** | * [**marshmellow craft**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B5m7P2KoYGgva2p4d1R6ZG5ldWM/view?usp=sharing) **(or with jelly beans and popcicle sticks)**
* **Make Nehemiah’s wall with sugar cubes and popcicle sticks for the gates of Jerusalem**
* **Draw or build different kinds of walls:**
	+ **a wall of gratitude**
	+ **a wall of synonyms**
	+ **a wall of affirmation words**
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| **Snacks** |  |
| **Parent Resources** | [**Research on the Nehemiah story**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B5m7P2KoYGgvdjdxQmRTQnB6ekU/view?usp=sharing)[**Research on Ezra reading the law**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B5m7P2KoYGgvXzc2bU9WS2RfU0E/view?usp=sharing)**”**[**“He will prosper us,”**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B5m7P2KoYGgvNFF5OVFkX1kwdjQ/view?usp=sharing) **by Dorothy Roberts, CSJ, August 1920**[**“Gashmu said it,”**](https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B5m7P2KoYGgvZTh3c2hhTHJjR2s/view?usp=sharing) **by Gustavus S. Paine, CSS, February 17, 1917** |

