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**“When God’s Dream Captures Your heart”**  
**(Nehemiah 8:1-10)**

Earl Nightingale said: “*We become what we \_\_\_\_\_ about.*”

Einstein said: “\_\_\_\_\_ *is more important than knowledge.*”

Imagination is a \_\_\_\_\_ picture of something that could become a \_\_\_\_\_ if we do our part.

Our story today, is about a man who was driven by a great \_\_\_\_\_, a great \_\_\_\_\_.

Nehemiah lived in the city of Susa in Persia which today is called \_\_\_\_\_.

After Nehemiah heard about the despair of Jerusalem, he broke down and \_\_\_\_\_.

He went into a time of mourning, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ over the plight of his people.

Thought: God might call on you to answer your own \_\_\_\_\_.

2 Things:

**#1. – A \_\_\_\_\_ was born in Nehemiah’s heart – to go to \_\_\_\_\_ and help his people.**

That’s how every \_\_\_\_\_ work begins. God puts a dream in someone’s \_\_\_\_\_.

Today millions of Africans are Christians because of men and women who, like David Livingstone, gave their all to \_\_\_\_\_ a dream God \_\_\_\_\_ in their heart.

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**#2. – Nehemiah became \_\_\_\_\_ to the dream God had given him.**

Nehemiah received permission to travel to Jerusalem as its new \_\_\_\_\_.

Nehemiah challenged the devoted people of the area to \_\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_, to \_\_\_\_\_ that the walls might be rebuilt.

The people knew Nehemiah was a man of \_\_\_\_\_.

After the walls were rebuilt, the people gathered in the square before what they called the “\_\_\_\_\_ Gate.”

After Ezra read the “Bible” to them, Nehemiah spoke to them and tells them not to mourn but to \_\_\_\_\_!

Nehemiah reminded them that the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Lord was their \_\_\_\_\_!

**Henry Varley: “*The world has yet to see what God can do with a man who is fully and wholly consecrated to the Holy Spirit.*”**

We could amend his words to read: “*A man or woman who is fully and wholly \_\_\_\_\_.*”

Commitment, character, \_\_\_\_\_, compassion, a deaf ear to critics, total and complete consecration – those are the marks of a successful \_\_\_\_\_ of every generation.

**What is the dream God has placed in your heart?**