

Empower Others.

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Discussion: Why are we hesitant to empower others?

- We're afraid.
- We've been hurt.
- We don't want to lose control.

The Principle of Unity.

Nehemiah 2:18

¹⁸ They replied at once, "Yes, let's rebuild the wall!"
So they began the good work.

- The clearer the vision the stronger the team.
- Every good work requires hard work.

The Principle of Diversity.

Nehemiah 3:1, 6-8

¹ Then Eliashib the high priest and the other priests started to rebuild at the Sheep Gate... ⁶ The Old City Gate was repaired by Joiada son of Paseah and Meshullam son of Besodeiah. They laid the beams, set up its doors, and installed its bolts and bars. ⁷ Next to them were Melatiah from Gibeon, Jadon from Meronoth, people from Gibeon, and people from Mizpah, the headquarters of the governor of the province west of the Euphrates River. ⁸ Next was Uzziel son of Harhaiah, a goldsmith by trade, who also worked on the wall. Beyond him was Hananiah, a manufacturer of perfumes.

- Diversity is using your difference to make a difference.
- The bigger the project the bigger the team.

The Principle of Accountability.

Nehemiah 3:17

¹⁷ Next to him, repairs were made by a group of Levites working under the supervision of Rehum son of Bani. Then came Hashabiah, the leader of half the district of Keilah, who supervised the building of the wall on behalf of his own district.

- Empowering doesn't mean ignoring or controlling.
- Empowering is teaching, releasing and inspecting.

The Principle of Boundaries.

Nehemiah 3:19-21

¹⁹ Next to them, Ezer son of Jeshua, the leader of Mizpah, repaired another section of wall across from the ascent to the armory near the angle in the wall. ²⁰ Next to him was Baruch son of Zabbai, who zealously repaired an additional section from the angle to the door of the house of Eliashib the high priest. ²¹ Meremoth son of Uriah and grandson of Hakkoz rebuilt another section of the wall extending from the door of Eliashib's house to the end of the house.

- Boundaries create responsibility and unity.
- Boundaries create freedom.

The Principle of Proximity.

Nehemiah 3:28

²⁸ Above the Horse Gate, the priests repaired the wall. Each one repaired the section immediately across from his own house.

- Your most important assignment is your own house.
- A strong city is built one house at a time.

Truth: You'll never go FAR if you go ALONE.