

## FINISHING WHAT YOU START

*“Finish what you began to do. Then your willingness will be matched by what you accomplish.” 2 Corinthians 8:11 (GWT)*

### I. WHY WE SOMETIMES FAIL TO FINISH

*A half-finished wall (Nehemiah 4:6-11)*

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*“(They) said, ‘The strength of the laborers is giving out...’”*
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*“And there is so much trash and rubble to be removed...”*
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*“...We ourselves are unable to rebuild the wall.”*
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*“Meanwhile, our enemies are planning to swoop down upon us and kill us, thus ending our work.”*

## II. HOW TO FINISH WHAT YOU START

### 1. STOP \_\_\_\_\_

*“The lazy person is full of excuses...” Proverbs 22:13 (NLT)*

### 2. START \_\_\_\_\_

*“If your gift is to encourage others, do it! If you have money, share it generously! If God has given you leadership ability, take the responsibility! If you have a gift for showing kindness to others, do it gladly!” Romans 12:8 (NLT)*

### 2 Traps

*“If you wait for perfect conditions, you’ll never get anything done!” Ecclesiastes 11:4 (LB)*

*“Never boast about tomorrow. You don’t know what will happen between now and then.” Proverbs 27:1 (GN)*

This message is a two part message and next week we will finish the message.  
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