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The twelve (12) strategies and the devices of the enemy's warfare against God's people in the book of Nehemiah!

"Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil."

EPHESIANS 6:11 (KJ)

"Lest Satan should get an advantage of us: for we are not ignorant of his devices."

2 CORINTHIANS 2:11 (KJ)

"And Jesus being full of the Holy Ghost returned from Jordan, and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness, being forty days tempted of the devil. And in those days he did eat nothing: and when they were ended, he afterward hungered. And the devil said unto him, If thou be the Son of God, command this stone that it be made bread. And Jesus answered him, saying, It is written, That man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God. And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, shewed unto him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time. And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me; and to whomsoever I will I give it. If thou therefore wilt worship me, all shall be thine. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Get thee behind me, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve. And he brought him to Jerusalem, and set him on a pinnacle of the temple, and said unto him, If thou be the Son of God, cast thyself down from hence: For it is written, He shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee: And in their hands they shall bear thee up, lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone. And Jesus answering said unto him, It is said, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God. And when the devil had ended all the temptation, he departed from him for a season."

LUKE 4:1-13 (KJ)

"Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour: Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world."

1 PETER 5:8-9 (KJ)

Ephesians 6:11; 2 Corinthians 2:11; Luke 4:1-13; 1 Peter 5:8-9.

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(5) <u>By prayers, God will make us to be aware of the plots of our enemies</u> and <u>frustrate all their evil plans</u> against us.

"And it came to pass, when our enemies heard that it was known unto us, and God had brought their counsel to nought, that we returned all of us to the wall, every one unto his work." Nehemiah. 4:15.

(6) <u>The enemies will try to device a new plan of fake friendship with you</u> when the sees that you have succeeded in doing what God called you to do despite their oppositions against us.

"Now it came to pass when Sanballat, and Tobiah, and Geshem, the Arabian, and the rest of our enemies, heard that I had builded the wall, and that there was no breach left therein; (though at that time I had not set up the doors upon the gates;) That Sanballat and Geshem sent unto me, saying, Come, let us meet together in some one of the villages in the plain of Ono. But they thought to do me mischief. And I sent messengers unto them, saying, I am doing a great work, so that I cannot come down: why should the work cease, whilst I leave it, and come down to you?" Nehemiah. 6:1-3 (7) <u>The enemies sent four messages of deception</u> to Nehemiah, with the intention to stop him from building the broken walls in the city of God, and he replied that he was doing a great work for God, that he can not come down to answer them.

"Yet they sent unto me four times after this sort; and I answered them after the same manner." Nehemiah 6:4.

(8) When the enemies saw that their plans weren't working out as planed, they accused Nehemiah of wanting to become a king. In the same way the enemies might accuse us of something we know nothing about, just to stop us from doing what God called us to do.

"Then sent Sanballat his servant unto me in like manner the fifth time with an open letter in his hand; Wherein was written, It is reported among the heathen, and Gashmu saith it, that thou and the Jews think to rebel: for which cause thou buildest the wall, that thou mayest be their king, according to these words. And thou hast also appointed prophets to preach of thee at Jerusalem, saying, There is a king in Judah: and now shall it be reported to the king according to these words. Come now therefore, and let us take counsel together." Nehemiah. 6:5-7.

(9) <u>The enemies even went as far as trying to frighten Nehemiah with the aid of some false prophets, but with the gift if discerning of spirit,</u> <u>Nehemiah knew immediately that these false prophets and their false visions and prophecies were not from God.</u>

"For they all made us afraid, saying, Their hands shall be weakened from the work, that it be not done. Now therefore, O God, strengthen my hands. Afterward I came unto the house of Shemaiah the son of Delaiah the son of Mehetabeel, who was shut up; and he said, Let us meet together in the house of God, within the temple, and let us shut the doors of the temple: for they will come to slay thee; yea, in the night will they come to slay thee. And I said, Should such a man as I flee? and who is there, that, being as I am, would go into the temple to save his life? I will not go in. And, Io, I perceived that God had not sent him; but that he pronounced this prophecy against me: for Tobiah and Sanballat had hired him. Therefore was he hired, that I should be afraid, and do so, and sin, and that they might have matter for an evil report, that they might reproach me. My God, think thou upon Tobiah and Sanballat according to these their works, and on the prophetess Noadiah, and the rest of the prophets, that would have put me in fear. Nehemiah 6:9-14.

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