Neh 4:1 But it so happened, when Sanballat heard that we were rebuilding the wall, that he was furious and very indignant, and mocked the Jews.

Neh 4:2 And he spoke before his brethren and the army of Samaria, and said, "What are these feeble Jews doing? Will they fortify themselves? Will they offer sacrifices? Will they complete it in a day? Will they revive the stones from the heaps of rubbish—stones that are burned?"

Neh 4:3 Now Tobiah the Ammonite was beside him, and he said, "Whatever they build, if even a fox goes up on it, he will break down their stone wall." Num 23:8 "How shall I curse whom God has not cursed? And how shall I denounce whom the LORD has not denounced?

Num 23:19 -23 "God is not a man, that He should lie, Nor a son of man, that He should repent. Has He said, and will He not do? Or has He spoken, and will He not make it good?

- 20 Behold, I have received a command to bless; He has blessed, and I cannot reverse it.
- 21 "He has not observed iniquity in Jacob, Nor has He seen wickedness in Israel. The LORD his God is with him, And the shout of a King is among them.
- 22 God brings them out of Egypt; He has strength like a wild ox.:
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HIS ASSIGNMENT WAS

- Minimise your competency (ability to do something successfully)
- Minimise your strength leave things broken down
- Stop any form of worship and sacrifice to God
- Make your objective to far away to cause you to give up
- To make you think you have nothing to build with to cause discouragement
- That theStones are damaged and burnt—no substance or strength

Neh 4:6

So we built the wall, and the entire wall was joined together up to half its height, for the people had a mind to work.

PEOPLE HAD A MIND TO WORK—ITS CONCEIVED WITH VISION ITS BUILT BY A MINDSET TO WORK THROUGH WHATEVER

4V7 heard that the walls of Jerusalem were being restored and the gaps were beginning to be closed, that they became very angry,

When the kingdom of darkness and the God of this world see's the GAP between God and humanity is being CLOSED and the gap between Gods people being closed and the walls the LIVING STONES being built and joined together he gets angry.... 4V8 he purposes to attack and create confusion - nevertheless we PRAYED, KEEPING IN COMMUNION WITH GOD AND HAVING THE MINDSET OF THE SPIRIT..

4V10 JUDAH - strength of laborers is failing theres so much rubbish - JUDAH WENT FROM PRAISE TO PROBLEM ; LENDING ONES EAR TO HEAR THE NEGATIVITY AND CIRCUMSTANCES ROBS ME OF THE FAITH TO BELIEVE IN THE PROBLEM SOLVER RATHER THAN THE PROBLEM

4V12 EVEN THE OTHER JEWS TOLD US 10 TIMES THERE COMING UP AGAINST US.... COMPLAINT AND FEAR STOPS A MINDSET TO WORK.... AND THE SEED WAS SOWN FROM WITHIN

4V13 NEED TO POSITION OURSELVES TO FIGHT & BUILD

4V14&15 Neh 4:14 And I looked, and arose and said to the nobles, to the leaders, and to the rest of the people, "Do not be afraid of them. Remember the Lord, great and awesome, and fight for (Know the reason your fighting) your brethren, your sons, your daughters, your wives, and your houses."

Neh 4:15 And it happened, when our enemies heard that it was known to us, and that God had brought their plot to nothing, that all of us returned to the wall, everyone to his work.

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