

# TOPIC: WHEN THERE SEEMS TO BE NO HOPE

TEXT: Nehemiah 1, 1-4

## CONTEXT

Nehemiah is a Jew, conscious of who he is: a man of God, belonging to God's chosen people; but in deportation.

In the chapter 1, we are told of the sad news Nehemiah received concerning Jerusalem, God's city. Jerusalem was ruined.

When all hope seem to be gone, we have the feeling that God has gone very far from us or even that God has forsaken us,



## 3 TYPES OF RESPONSES TO HARD TIMES:

**\*Giving up:**

**\*Holding on hopelessly :**

*1 Kings 17, 10-12.* (The widow of Zarepath) She was using the means she thought were final and there after await for death!!!

**\*Trusting in The Lord God alone and persevering.**

*Hebrews 10, 23*




## ATTITUDES TO TAKE

\*Holding onto God's Promises. *Isaiah 43, 1-3.*

\*Keeping on praying the Lord, *2 Kings 19,14-19*

\*Being sensitive to the Holy Spirit and obeying His voice. *Psalms 34,15-19*

\*Knowing that we are God's concern. *Psalms 34,15-19*



\*In difficult moments is where our faith in God is put to the Test, *Job 1,8-11*

\*Knowing that our God always has better plans for us. *Jeremiah 29,10-14*

\*Finding our **Joy** and **strength** in the Lord and Him alone. *Habakkuk 3,18-19*