

# Operation Intimidation

Nehemiah 6-7 – *Mike Andrus*

## ***DISCUSSION QUESTIONS***

- 1) Can you think of a time when someone hounded you multiple times to stop doing what you knew God wanted you to do, as happened to Nehemiah in 6:1-5? How did you respond? How should you have responded?
- 2) What is the significance of the fact that the letter in 6:5-7 was left unsealed? Are leaks of confidential information, or even false information, effective in undermining political leaders? Have you seen that happen in the church as well?
- 3) What should we do when someone spreads rumors about us that contain flat falsehoods?
- 4) Are imprecatory prayers (prayers for God's judgment on someone for ungodly behavior), like the prayer in 6:14, appropriate for us to pray today? Under what circumstances?
- 5) Why do you think God allowed Nehemiah to continue to experience opposition even after the wall was finished (6:17-19)?
- 6) Why does God take up precious space in His Word for a list of names (chapter 7), most of whom we know nothing about, especially since this list is almost identical to one in Ezra 2?