

Chapter 6

As Nehemiah and the Jews rebuilt the wall
some people continued to obstruct them.

But with God's help the wall was finished in 52 days.

Dear God, please help us do your work,
despite difficulties

Chapters 7 – 13

The wall of Jerusalem was finally rebuilt
and doors were set in place in the wall.

In the seventh month of the lunar calendar
Nehemiah assembled all the people
and read to them the Book of the Law of Moses.

This was the first time that most of the people
had heard the words of Moses' Book.

The people were grateful to God
and praised him with great happiness.

The people also promised God that
they would serve him more faithfully in the future.

But while Nehemiah was away on a visit to the king
the people and leaders became careless about the Law.

When Nehemiah returned to Jerusalem
he brought the people back to proper observance of the Law.

Dear God, may we find joy and strength
in reading the Bible.

May the world have more good leaders like Nehemiah