PART 2

Breakthrough

Problems, problems, problems

They said to me, "Things are not going well for those who returned to the province of Judah. They are in great trouble and disgrace. The wall of Jerusalem has been torn down, and the gates have been destroyed by fire.
— Nehemiah 1:3, NLT

News that moves

When I heard this, I sat down and cried. In fact, I refused to eat for several days. *— Nehemiah 1:4 TLB*

First action item

When I heard this about the people of Jerusalem and about the wall, I sat down and cried. I was very sad. I fasted and prayed to the God of heaven for several days. *— Nehemiah 1:4, ERV*

Favor factor

O Lord, please hear my prayer! Listen to the prayers of those of us who delight in honoring you. Please grant me success today by making the king favorable to me. Put it into his heart to be kind to me. — Nehemiah 1:11 NLT