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**The Type of People You Should Seek to Work Around**  
**Nehemiah 2:11-20**

Matthew 9:37 reads, “Jesus said to his followers, “There are many people to harvest but only a few workers to help harvest them.” (NCV) This verse reveals an issue the Master pointed out to his disciples regarding people being engaged in ministry. According to Fact Tank, a research center committed to giving news in numbers, about 150 million people are employed in America. There are no statistics that reveal how many workers enjoy being around those they work with on a weekly basis. This lesson is designed to examine characteristics Nehemiah displayed to others and share the type of people you should seek to work around.

**Breakdown of Nehemiah Chapter 2**

1. The	<u>Request</u>	of Nehemiah	<b>Verses 1-6</b>
2. The	<u>Resources</u>	for Nehemiah	<b>Verses 7-9</b>
3. The	<u>Responses</u>	to Nehemiah	<b>Verses 10-20</b>

1. You should seek to work around people who are Proactive.  
**Verses 11-13**  
*“So I arrived in Jerusalem. Three days later, 12) I slipped out during the night, taking only a few others with me. I had not told anyone about the plans God had put in my heart for Jerusalem. We took no pack animals with us except the donkey I was riding. 13) After dark I went out through the Valley Gate, past the Jackal’s Well and over to the Dung Gate to inspect the broken walls and burned gates.” (NLT)*
2. You should seek to work around people who are Interactive.  
**Verses 16, 17**  
*“The city officials did not know I had been out there or what I was doing, for I had not yet said anything to anyone about my plans. I had not yet spoken to the Jewish leaders—the priests, the nobles, the officials, or anyone else in the administration. 17) But now I said to them, “You know very well what trouble we are in. Jerusalem lies in ruins, and its gates have been destroyed by fire. Let us rebuild the wall of Jerusalem and end this disgrace!” (NLT)*
3. You should seek to work around people who are Active.  
**Verse 17**  
*“But now I said to them, “You know very well what trouble we are in. Jerusalem lies in ruins, and its gates have been destroyed by fire. Let us rebuild the wall of Jerusalem and end this disgrace!” (NLT)*

