

Part 4 Who Are "They"?

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Are you listening to the _____ or the _____?

But when Sanballat the Horonite, Tobiah the Ammonite official and Geshem the Arab heard about it, they mocked and ridiculed us. "What is this you are doing?" they asked. "Are you rebelling against the king?" I answered them by saying, "The God of heaven will give us success. We his servants will start rebuilding, but as for you, you have no share in Jerusalem or any claim or historic right to it." Nehemiah 2:19-20 (NIV)

The Jews who lived near the enemy came and told us again and again, "They will come from all directions and attack us!" Nehemiah 4:12 (NLT)

When I saw their fear, I rose and spoke to the nobles, the officials and the rest of the people: "Do not be afraid of them; remember the Lord who is great and awesome, and fight for your brothers, your sons, your daughters, your wives and your houses." Nehemiah 4:14 (NASB)

THE WRONG "THEY" ...

- **Are people with** _____.
- **Prevent you from** _____.
- **Keep you from** _____.
- **Want you to stay** _____.

THE RIGHT "THEY" ...

- **T** _____
Be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. Ephesian 6:10 (NLT)
- **H** _____
Wounds from a sincere friend are better than many kisses from an enemy. Proverbs 27:6 (NLT)
- **E** _____
Let everything you say be good and helpful, so that your words will be an encouragement to those who hear them. Ephesians 4:29 (NLT)
- **Y** _____
Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Come near to God and he will come near to you. James 4:7-8 (NIV)