



Quick Review from Last Weekend

The first condition in developing Holy Ambition in your life is
A DISLOCATED HEART.

A Dislocated Heart is a God-given concern for others that **propels** us out of our **comfort zone**. It is a **passionate concern** for God's **people** and God's **agenda** that supersedes our own personal comfort and prosperity.

The eyes of the LORD search the whole earth in order to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him.
2 Chronicles 16:9 (NLT)

The story of Angie Thompson (For more information on Angie Thompson and the Children's Relief Network, see <http://www.romanianchildren.org/founders.html>)

The second condition in developing Holy Ambition is
A BROKEN SPIRIT.

What is a broken spirit?

It is an attitude of humility and dependency on God that allows you to come to God fully believing that God loves you, forgives you, and wants to use you.

Jesus, a Pharisee, and a woman of questionable character
Luke 7:36-50

The enemy of developing a broken spirit is
PRIDE.

Pride is rooted in self-dependency and self-focus.

Pride reveals itself in one of two ways:

- "I don't need God. I can do it on my own."
- "I'm not good enough. God doesn't want to use me."

Nehemiah's response:

When I heard this, I sat down and wept. In fact, for days I mourned, fasted and prayed to the God of heaven.
Nehemiah 1:4 (NLT)

What did Nehemiah pray for?
Nehemiah 1:5-11 (NLT)

Then I said, "O LORD, God of heaven, the great and awesome God who keeps his covenant of unfailing love with those who love him and obey his commands, ⁶ listen to my prayer! Look down and see me praying night and day for your people Israel. I confess that we have sinned against you. Yes, even my own family and I have sinned! ⁷ We have sinned terribly by not obeying the commands, decrees, and regulations that you gave us through your servant Moses.

⁸ "Please remember what you told your servant Moses: 'If you are unfaithful to me, I will scatter you among the nations. ⁹ But if you return to me and obey my commands and live by them, then even if you are exiled to the ends of the earth, I will bring you back to the place I have chosen for my name to be honored.'

*¹⁰ "The people you rescued by your great power and strong hand are your servants. ¹¹ 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.**"*

NOTE: Because of Nehemiah's dislocated heart for the people of Jerusalem and his broken spirit seen as his clear dependency on God and belief that God wanted to use him, he prayed that the King would allow him to get involved.

The big questions:

- Do you have Holy Ambition?
- Do you have a heart for people to know Jesus?
- Do you believe that God wants to use you?

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