

## Vulnerable Nehemiah 9:19-23

### A Fear

We fear being shown weak before our 'enemies'  
We want to always be shown as strong and capable.  
Yet we often feel vulnerable, insecure and weak

### Vulnerable In Canaan

#### *Joshua 5*

First act after entering Canaan

Circumcision - **Joshua 5:2-3**

Simeon & Levi Shechem - **Genesis 34:25-29**

Second act

Observe Passover - **Joshua 5:10**

Then defeat Jericho

Compare to first time entered Canaan - **Numbers 13:30-33; 14:39-45**

Defeat in battle then

Little experience with battles

Forgot need for God

### No Fear With God

Safety in vulnerability now

God was with them

40 years had shown God's care for them

Food, clothing, guard, battle victories

Reminded of this by Moses - **Deuteronomy 8:2-4; Nehemiah 9:19-23**

God will protect if we put Him first - **Joshua 5:1; Matthew 10:28**

Important that we understand our strength comes from God - **Psalms 23; 2Corinthians 12:7-10**

He is the reason we can stand - **Ephesians 6:10-20**

Christ's sacrifice gives us boldness - **Acts 4:31; Hebrews 4:14-16; Philippians 4:13**

### Safe With God

Israel was not vulnerable

God was protecting them - **Joshua 5:13-15**

He will protect us, guide us, care for us - **1Corinthians 10:11-13**

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