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Thought For the Day

"I looked for a man among them who would build up the wall and stand before me in the gap on behalf of the land so I would not have to destroy it, but I found none. So I will pour out my wrath on them and consume them with my fiery anger, bringing down on their own heads all they have done, declares the Sovereign Lord."

Ezekiel 22:30-31

These were sad days in the life of the nation of Judah. In the verses preceding these God says the princes, the priests, the officials, the prophets and the common people were living lives contrary to God's will. Judgment was inevitable. God was preparing to bring it.

But God is a God of grace. He determined in his heart that if he could find just one person who would stand strong against evil, who would stand in the gap of moral decay, who would intercede between God and the nation, and seek to bring righteousness to the land, He would relent and spare his people. But sadly he could find no one. How disappointed God must have been.

There are many today who are concerned about the moral and spiritual condition of our nation. But many feel helpless because they feel outnumbered by the people who have no such concern. But is it numbers that matter? The above verses show that one person could have made the difference. One person could have stood in the gap. One person could have saved the nation.

As we consider our nation today, we can believe that the Lord is still seeking that one man or woman who will take their stand for God, who will stand in the gap at the wall, and will confront the enemy with God's help. The Lord is looking for that person who will intercede for His cause and will in our nation.

As God's people, we have the spiritual capability for fulfilling that responsibility. As we intercede together we can fill many gaps in our nation's spiritual walls. Let us be faithful to our high calling.

Lord, I seem to be able to make time for most everything that is important to me. Forgive me if I have not made time for you. Help me to fill the gap in the wall near me.