

*Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us.*

**Ephesians 3:20 (NIV)**

*Whoever believes in me, as Scripture has said, rivers of living water will flow from within them.*

**John 7:38 (NIV)**

## HOW DO I RISE WITH A RISING TIDE

1. MY EXPECTATIONS MUST RISE
2. MY PREPARATION MUST RISE
3. MY CAPACITY MUST RISE
4. MY ALIGNMENT WITH GOD MUST RISE

## HOW DO I WAIT WITH EXPECTATION

*The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John might possibly be the Messiah. John answered them all, “I baptize you with water. But one who is more powerful than I will come, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire.*

**Luke 3:15-16 (NIV)**

1. EXPECT GOD TO DO WHAT HE SAID IN HIS WORD
2. EXPECT RESISTANCE

*But when Sanballat, Tobiah, the Arabs, the Ammonites and the people of Ashdod heard that the repairs to Jerusalem’s walls had gone ahead and that the gaps were being closed, they were very angry. They all plotted together to come and fight against Jerusalem and stir up trouble against it. But we prayed to our God and posted a guard day and night to meet this threat.*

**Nehemiah 4:7-9 (NIV)**

*“I am engaged in a great work, so I can’t come. Why should I stop working to come and meet with you?”*

*Four times they sent the same message, and each time I gave the same reply.*

**Nehemiah 6:3-4 (NLT)**

3. EXPECT IN PRAYER