

Remember Me (Exile & Return 35)

March 19, 2017

Nehemiah 13:1-31

I. Cleansing the People (1-3, 23-27)

- A. Removal of Ammonites and Moabites from the assembly (1-3; see Deuteronomy 23:3-5)
- B. The problem of intermarriage, again (23-27; see Ezra 9; 10:3; Nehemiah 10:30)

II. Enforcing the Sabbath (15-22)

- A. The problem (see Exodus 20:8-11; Deuteronomy 5:12-15; Hebrews 3-4; Matthew 22; Nehemiah 10:31)
- B. Remembering the Sabbath
- C. Do Christians need to keep the fourth commandment? (see Mark 2:27; Revelation 1:10; 1 Corinthians 7:21)

III. Restoring Worship (4-14, 28-29)

- A. Removing Tobiah from the Temple (4-9)
- B. Making sure the Levites get paid (10-14; see 10:37).
- C. Expelling an unclean priest (28-29)
- D. Summary (30-31)

IV. Remember Them

- A. The prayers of Nehemiah, son of Hacaliah (Nehemiah 1:4, 8; 2:6, 20; 6:9)
- B. Freedom to love (Nehemiah 4:4-5; 6:14; 13:29; see Genesis 18:25; 1 Peter 4:19)

V. Remember Me

- A. Demand or appeal? (Nehemiah 5:19; 13:14, 22, 31; see Romans 3:9-18)
- B. Zeal for thy house (see Psalm 69:9)
- C. Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom (see 2 Timothy 1:12 [NASB], 16-18; 4:16; Luke 23:42, 46; Mark 15:34)