

**Nehemiah**  
**A Manual for Serving The LORD**  
**"Preparing for Revival"**  
Nehemiah 7:1-73

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**Introduction:** Nehemiah's first objective was the rebuilding of the walls of Jerusalem. In Nehemiah 6:15 we read, "So the wall was finished". But the finished wall simply marked a new beginning. "Phase Two" of the overall operation will consist of protecting the finished work - the walls of Jerusalem, and preparing for the future work - the people of Jerusalem. Jerusalem is much more than walls - a city is people. A large city and great walls are of no honor to God without people - it is the living souls within Jerusalem that are the city's glory and the honor of God. In the first half of Nehemiah the people lived for the purpose of rebuilding the walls - but now the walls exist to provide safety so that the people can enjoy the life God had purposed for them. In chapter seven of Nehemiah we see Nehemiah laying the groundwork leading toward **God's purposes of reviving His people spiritually**. We will notice that Nehemiah will appoint godly leadership for the city. Following this, at God's prompting he will determine the purity of Jerusalem's citizens. And finally we will see Nehemiah making adequate provisions for the worship in God's House - His holy temple in Jerusalem. Twenty-five hundred years after Nehemiah these are still **three keys that prepare the way for revival among God's people** - **GODLY LEADERSHIP - GENUINE CITIZENSHIP - SACRIFICIAL WORSHIP**. Let us examine these three keys and ask ourselves honestly before God - *"Is the way being prepared here at IBC for revival?"*

**I. Godly LEADERSHIP - \_\_\_\_\_**

**A. A \_\_\_\_\_ Leadership**

**B. A \_\_\_\_\_ Leadership**

**C. A \_\_\_\_\_ Leadership**

**D. A \_\_\_\_\_ Leadership**

**II. Genuine *CITIZENSHIP* - \_\_\_\_\_**

**A. The \_\_\_\_\_**

**B. The \_\_\_\_\_**

**C. The \_\_\_\_\_**

**III. Sacrificial *WORSHIP* - \_\_\_\_\_**

**A. From the \_\_\_\_\_**

**B. From the \_\_\_\_\_**

**C. From the \_\_\_\_\_**

**D. From the \_\_\_\_\_**