

September 1, 2024

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Nehemiah 13:15-31

Overall Theme

Spiritual health is not measured in a _____ event. Spiritual health stands the _____.

Protect the House (God's house, the church)

- ✓ We are not to worship the building. We are to worship the God of the building.
- ✓ The God of the building cares about what goes on in His building.

Protect the Gift (tithe, generosity)

- ✓ 100% of everything we have belongs to the Lord.
- ✓ Trust the treasurer (Jesus) rather than the treasure.
- ✓ *"It is impossible to become a fully developed follower of Jesus without also becoming a fully developed steward of your resources."* ~ Randy Alcorn

Protect the _____

- ✓ A call to not _____
- ✓ A call to not _____
- ✓ A call to not ' _____ '

Protect _____

- ✓ The most fundamental thing you can say about marriage is that it is the _____ of God.
- ✓ The highest meaning of marriage is to put the covenant _____ of Christ and His church on display.

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Sermon Talks

1. What caught your attention in this week's message? Was there something you had never heard before or something you had a question about?
2. What are some of the areas in your life in which you have allowed time to erode concerning your walk with the Lord? How have these decisions hurt you?
3. How do you respond when you are reminded of a principle that you are not obeying?
4. When Nehemiah returned to Jerusalem, the people had drifted away. What can drifting away look like in our lives?
5. Nehemiah took their sin seriously. He saw what was going on, responded with action, and committed to God. What steps can we take to be serious about sin in our lives?
6. How do you handle money? Considering the principle that God owns everything, how would you say you handle money?
7. What are ways that you are being intentional about the giving of your time, treasure, and talents? Are you lacking in any of those areas?
8. Why is it important to have Sabbath rest? Do you have that? If so, when and what does that look like for you?
9. If married, does your marriage honor and display Christ? How?
10. How has the Lord blessed you because you remained true to biblical values and principles?

Pray about it: Meditate on God's Word (Nehemiah 13) and this week's message.

Adoration: What can I praise God for in light of what this teaches me?

Confession: What sin can I confess because of what this teaches me?

Thanksgiving: What can I thank God for in light of what he has done?

Supplication: What do I need to ask of God in order to grow in light of this?