Lesson 25

The City Inhabited and the Walls Dedicated (Nehemiah 11:1 – 12:47)

Questions

1. What did the people cast lots to do (11:1-2)?
2. What inhabitants of Jerusalem are listed in Nehemiah 11:3-6?
3. What inhabitants of Jerusalem are listed in Nehemiah 11:7-9?
4. What inhabitants of Jerusalem are listed in Nehemiah 11:10-14?
5. What inhabitants of Jerusalem are listed in Nehemiah 11:15-18?
6. What inhabitants of Jerusalem are listed in Nehemiah 11:19-21?
7. What inhabitants of Jerusalem are listed in Nehemiah 11:22-24?
8. What are listed in Nehemiah 11:25-36?
9. Who are listed in Nehemiah 12:1-26?
10. Who was brought to Jerusalem and for what purpose (12:27-30)?

11. Who walked in one company on the wall to dedicate it and who led them (12:31-37)?
12. Who walked in the other company on the wall and who was with them (12:38-42)?
13. What was done on the day of the dedication service and what was the attitude of the people (12:43)?
14. What was done on the day of the dedication concerning the tithes for the priests, the Levites, the singers, and the porters (12:44-47)?
Digging Deeper
1. What was the practice of casting lots (11:1)?
2. Who were the Nethinim and where was Ophel located (11:3, 21)?
3. Who was the king that is referenced in Nehemiah 11:23-24?
4. What time period is covered in the list of men given in Nehemiah 12:1-26 (note 12:22)? What time period is covered in Nehemiah 12:47?
5. What is the "book of the chronicles" in Nehemiah 12:23? Is it the same as the book of Chronicles in the OT?
6. What "commandment of David" is referenced in Nehemiah 12:24, 45?

7. What OT law required that gifts and offerings be brought to support the priests and Levites (12:44-45)?

Applications for Today

- 1. It is truly a blessing when people willingly offer themselves to sacrifice for the Lord's cause (11:2; 2 Cor. 8:5; Phil. 2:5).
- 2. "Mighty men of valor" are still needed in the Lord's church today (11:6, 14; 1 Cor. 16:13).
- 3. Brethren are still needed today to do the Lord's word (11:12, 16; 1 Cor. 15:58).
- 4. Overseers are still needed in the Lord's church today (11:14, 16; 12:42; Acts 20:28; Phil. 1:1; 1 Tim. 3:1-2; Tit. 1:7).
- 5. Thanksgiving in prayer and praise is an important act of worship (11:17; 12:24, 46; Phil. 4:6; Col. 4:2; 1 Tim. 2:1).
- 6. God's people need to be pure before they praise (12:30; Phil. 4:8).
- 7. Sacrifice to God and worship him with great joy and let others hear it (12:43; 1 Pet. 1:8).
- 8. Joyous service to God is for the whole family, not just part of it (12:43; Ezra 6:16; Psa. 149:2).
- 9. Keep the charge of God (12:45; 1 Tim. 1:18).