

The Path to Restoration
Living God's Way
Nehemiah 10:1-39

Introduction

"The heavens declare the glory of God and the skies proclaim the work of his hands." – Psalm 19:1

1. When God's truth starts getting specific, it usually means that we have to make some _____ in our life.
2. The _____ in Nehemiah's day really wanted to change.
3. In Nehemiah 8, a _____ began as the people gathered together and listened to God's Word
4. _____ can be an important motivator, but you can't live on an emotional high.
5. Nehemiah lays out a specific plan to put the truth of God's Word back into daily _____.

I. Leaders must set an example.

6. The list begins with _____ and Zedekiah, his assistant.
7. The leaders were the _____ to put their names on the dotted line and commit themselves to do what they expected the people to do.
8. The people had come to a decision, and collectively as a nation were ready to enter into a new _____ with God.
9. Eighty-four _____ in all put their name on the line for the glory of God.

II. Restoration Requires Commitment

10. The people remembered how God made a covenant with _____, promising that both a nation and the Messiah would descend from him.
11. They remember how God made a covenant with _____ and the nation of Israel when He gave them the Law at Mount Sinai.
12. They remember how God made a covenant with King _____, promising the final King, the Messiah, would come from his family.
13. They understood that committing to God meant the _____ of the covenant would come upon them if they honored God by living His way.
14. All the _____ joined the leaders in making a commitment to God.
15. They accepted the _____ if they failed to walk in God's Law, and they took an oath to obey the Lord.
16. Committing publicly meant they would hold each other _____.

III. Revival Begins at Home

17. The people also agreed not to give their _____ to marry the unbelieving people of the land.
18. The temptation to marry outside the _____ was a snare to God's people and an avenue that Satan has used for centuries to cause believers' problems.
19. It's evident that it is essential to carefully and prayerfully choose your _____.

20. _____ is about commitment and covenant relationship!

IV. Honest In Business Dealings

21. The people also realized their commitment also extended into the _____.

22. They _____ that selling goods seven days a week to make more money to compete with foreigners was directly disobedient to God's way.

23. They also agreed to only make money in ways that were obedient and glorifying to _____.

24. Their repentant hearts even agreed to let the land lay fallow every seventh year and to forgive all _____ against their fellow Jews on that year in obedience to the law of God.

25. Their failure to keep this part of the covenant caused them to be carried away to _____ in the first place.

26. They agreed to transact _____ God's way.

27. According to Revelation 1:10, the early Christians designated _____ as "the Lord's day."

V. They Provided For Temple Worship

28. In verses 32-39, they also agreed to be faithful to God in _____ God's work.

29. They agreed to support the _____.

30. Simply put, the Bible teaches us to be faith _____.

31. Be wise with your money but don't be _____!

32. The building is not the temple; your _____ is the temple!

33. God owns everything, but He allows us to use His resources and the talents and gifts he's given to us to prosper and be _____.

34. We are only managers and stewards of _____ resources.

Conclusion

35. To experience spiritual renewal and restoration, you must be willing to practically and personally _____ God's Word.

36. Secondly, write down what you _____ to do.

The path to restoration puts Christ first in your life and makes everything else revolve around that commitment. When you make a covenant with God and yield to the work of His Holy Spirit, your life can only change for the better.

ANSWERS

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| 1. Changes | 18. Faith | 35. Apply |
| 2. People | 19. Spouse | 36. plan |
| 3. Revival | 20. Marriage | |
| 4. Emotion | 21. Workplace | |
| 5. Practice | 22. Realized | |
| 6. Nehemiah | 23. God | |
| 7. First | 24. Debts | |
| 8. Covenant | 25. Babylon | |
| 9. Leaders | 26. Business | |
| 10. Abraham | 27. Sunday | |
| 11. Moses | 28. Supporting | |
| 12. David | 29. Temple | |
| 13. Blessing | 30. Givers | |
| 14. People | 31. Greedy | |
| 15. Consequences | 32. Heart | |
| 16. Accountable | 33. Blessed | |
| 17. Children | 34. God's | |