

Faithful to the End

Nehemiah 13

I want you young men to always bear in mind that it is the nature of a fire to go out; you must keep it stirred and fed and the ashes removed. – William Booth



On that day the Book of Moses was read aloud in the hearing of the people and there it was found written that no Ammonite or Moabite should ever be admitted into the assembly of God, - Neh 13:1

Was it not because of marriages
like these that Solomon king of
Israel sinned? – Nehemiah 13:26a

Eliashib the priest had been put in charge of the storerooms of the house of our God. He was **closely associated with Tobiah**, and he had **provided him with a large room** formerly used to store the grain offerings and incense and temple articles, and also the tithes of grain, new wine and olive oil prescribed for the Levites, musicians and gatekeepers, as well as the contributions for the priests.

– Neh 13:4-5

The Sacred Space was

Compromised



Here I learned about the **evil thing** Eliashib had done in providing Tobiah a room in the courts of the house of God. **I was greatly displeased and threw all Tobiah's household goods out of the room.** I gave orders to purify the rooms, and then I put back into them the equipment of the house of God, with the grain offerings and the incense. – Neh 13:7b-9

The Sacred Space was

Compromised

Neglected

I also learned that the portions assigned to the Levites had not been given to them, and that all the Levites and musicians responsible for the service had gone back to their own fields. – Neh 13:10

So I rebuked the officials and asked them, “Why is the house of God neglected?” Then I called them together and stationed them at their posts. Neh 13:11

All Judah brought the tithes of grain, new wine and olive oil into the storerooms. – Neh 13:12

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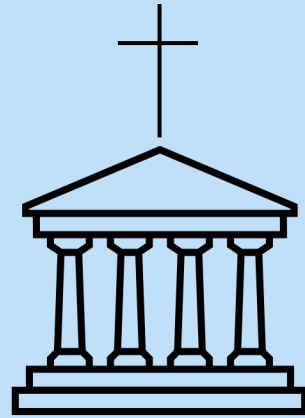
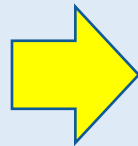
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In those days I saw people in Judah treading winepresses on the **Sabbath** and bringing in grain and loading it on donkeys, together with wine, grapes, figs and all other kinds of loads. And they were bringing all this into Jerusalem on the Sabbath. Therefore I warned them against selling food on that day. – Neh 13:15

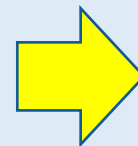
Once or twice the merchants and sellers of all kinds of goods spent the night outside Jerusalem. But I warned them and said, “Why do you spend the night by the wall? If you do this again, I will arrest you.” From that time on they no longer came on the Sabbath. – Neh 13:20-21



**Personal
(Compromise)**



**Worship
(Neglect)**



**City
(Materialism)**

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**It's alright to have
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