REMEMBER THE GOOD NEHEMIAH DID LESSONS IN GODLY LEADERSHIP: Part 1

Nehemiah 13:4-14

- I. GODLY LEADERS ADDRESS DEFILEMENT AND NEGLECT IN THE HOUSE OF GOD WHEN THEY SEE IT: Nehemiah cleansed the house of God defiled by the high priest and restored its services forsaken by the officials, who caused the Levitical servants to leave and go home (4-13)
 - A. THE EVIL NEHEMIAH SEES IN GOD'S HOUSE: Nehemiah returned to Jerusalem from Persia and learns about the evil Eliashib did for Tobiah by making a large room for him in the Temple thus defiling it (4-6)
 - **B.** THE GOOD NEHEMIAH DOES IN RESPONSE: Nehemiah seeing this as great evil threw out Tobiah, cleansed the rooms and returned the utensils (7-9)
 - C. THE NEGLECT NEHEMIAH SEES REGARDING GOD'S HOUSE: Nehemiah also discovered the House of God was forsaken by the officials, so the Levites were not given their portions and thus went home (10)
 - **D. THE GOOD NEHEMIAH DOES IN RESPONSE:** Nehemiah reprimanded the officials for forsaking the House of God, gathered and restored the Levites, and brought the tithes to the storehouses and appointed reliable men to distribute them (11-13)
- II. GODLY LEADERS DO SO FOR AN AUDIENCE OF ONE: 'Remember me for this O my God' (14)

In the Next Few Weeks

- III. GODLY LEADERS ADDRESS THE POLLUTION OF HIS COMMANDS THROUGH TRUST IN MONEY RATHER THAN HIM: Nehemiah Admonished, reprimanded, warned, and commanded THE NOBLES, TRADERS AND THE PEOPLE WHO HAD PROFANED THE SABBATH thus incurring God's wrath (15-22)
- IV. GODLY LEADERS ADDRESS DISOBEDIENCE REGARDING RELATIONSHIP TO

 UNBELIEVERS: Nehemiah Contended cursed and purified THE PRIESTHOOD AND THE LEVITES

 DEFILED BY INTERMARRIAGE WITH FOREIGNERS thus leading to more sin, like Solomon (23-31)