

NEHEMIAH CHAPTER 10

¹ And over them that sealed were Nehemiah the governor, son of Hacaliah, and Zedekiah, ² Seraiah, Azariah, and Jeremiah, ³ Pashur, Amariah, Malchijah, ⁴ Hattush, Shebaniah, Malluch, ⁵ Harim, Meremoth, Obadiah, ⁶ Daniel, Ginnethon, Baruch, ⁷ Meshullam, Abijah, Mijamin, ⁸ Maaziah, Bilgai, Shemaiah; these *were* priests. ⁹ And the Levites: Jeshua the son of Azaniah, Binnui of the sons of Henadad, Kadmiel ¹⁰ and his brothers, Shebaniah, Hodijah, Kelita, Pelaiah, Hanan, ¹¹ Micha, Rehob, Hashabiah, ¹² Zacchur, Sherebiah, Shebaniah, ¹³ Hodijah, the sons of Beninu. ¹⁴ The heads of the people: Parosh, Pahath-Moab, Elam, Zattu, ¹⁵ the sons of Bunni, Azgad, Bebai, ¹⁶ Adonijah, Bigvai, Adin, ¹⁷ Ater, Hezekiah, Azzur, ¹⁸ Hodijah, Hashum, Bezai, ¹⁹ Hariph, Anathoth, Nebai, ²⁰ Magpiash, Meshullam, Hezir, ²¹ Meshezebel, Zadok, Jaddua, ²² Pelatiah, Hanan, Anaiah, ²³ Hoshea, Hananiah, Hasshub, ²⁴ Hallohesh, Pilha, Shobek, ²⁵ Rehum, Hashabnah, Maaseiah, ²⁶ Ahijah, Hanan, Anan, ²⁷ Malluch, Harim, *and* Baanah.

²⁸ And the rest of the people, the priests, the Levites, the porters, the singers, the Nethinim, and everyone who drew off from the nations of the land to the law of God, their wives, their sons, their daughters, everyone who had knowledge and understanding, ²⁹ were urgent with their brothers, and bound them under a curse, and entered into a curse, and into an oath, to walk in the law of God, which was given by the hand of Moses, the servant of God; to keep and to do all the commandments of the Lord, and His judgments, and His ordinances. ³⁰ And that "We will not," *they said*, "give our daughters to the people of the land, nor will we take their daughters to our sons. ³¹ And *as for* the people of the land who bring wares and all *manner of* merchandise to sell on the Sabbath day, we *will* not buy from them on the Sabbath or on the holy day; and we will leave the seventh year, and the exaction of every debt.

³² "And we will impose ordinances upon ourselves, to levy on ourselves a third of a shekel yearly for the service of the house of our God; ³³ the showbread, and the continual grain offering, and for the continual burnt offering, of the Sabbaths, of the new moon, for the feast, and for the holy things, and the sin offerings, to make atonement for Israel, and for the works of the house of our God. ³⁴ And we cast lots for the office of wood-bearing, *we* the priests, and the Levites, and the people, to bring *wood* into the house of our God, according to the house of our families, at certain set times, year by year, to burn on the altar of the Lord our God, as it is written in the law; ³⁵ and to bring the firstfruits of our land, and the firstfruits of the fruit of every tree, year by year, into the house of the Lord; ³⁶ the firstborn of our sons, and of our cattle, as it is written in the law, and the firstborn of our herds and of our flocks, to bring to the house of our God, for the priests that minister in the house of our God. ³⁷ And the firstfruits of our grain, and the fruit of every tree, of wine, and of oil, will we bring to the priests to the treasury of the house of God; and a tithe of our land to the Levites; for the Levites themselves shall receive tithes in all the cities of the land we cultivate. ³⁸ And the priest, the son of Aaron, shall be with the Levites in the tithe of the Levite; and the Levites shall bring up *their* tithe to the house of our God, into the treasuries of the house of God. ³⁹ For the children of Israel and the children of Levi shall bring into the treasuries the firstfruits of the grain, and wine, and oil; to

where the holy vessels *are*, and the priests, and the ministers, and the porters, and the singers: and we will not forsake the house of our God."