

SERMON NOTES

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Living in the Holy City

Nehemiah 11:1-2

The people were faced with a _____.

_____ exiles returned from their captivity to a city whose infrastructure was destroyed. More people had returned than there was room to live in Jerusalem.

Vs. 1 They “ _____ ”

The casting of lots was a way of discovering God’s _____ based on God’s divine election.

Nehemiah 11:1: “Now the leaders of the people settled in Jerusalem, and the rest of the people cast lots to bring one out of every ten to live in Jerusalem, the holy city, while the remaining nine were to stay in their own towns.”

This is a _____ of the people.

Are you willing to _____ your comfort for the sake of the kingdom?

Pray: “Lord, I’m willing to do _____ you want, to go _____ you want, _____ you want.”

They were moving to the ‘ _____ city’ A geographical change.

They were committing to _____ living.

That requires a change of _____.

Holiness comes when you _____ your heart to the Lord.

Nehemiah 11:2-3: *“The people commended all who _____ to live in Jerusalem. “Now these are the heads of the provinces who lived in Jerusalem, but in the cities of Judah each lived on his own property in their cities—the Israelites, the priests, the Levites, the temple servants and the descendants of Solomon’s servants.”*

As leaders are out front, so others will follow. Leaders set the example for the rest of us.

Those with _____ gifts set the structures in place to handle the growing population.

Those with _____ gifts took care of the buildings and grounds.

Nehemiah 11:17 Mattaniah was the “director who led in _____ and _____.”

Nehemiah 11:22 *“Uzzi was one of Asaph’s descendants, who were the _____ responsible for the service of the house of God.”*