



## Leadership Lessons from Nehemiah's Notebook: Page Two, Part II

### Nehemiah 6:15-7:73

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- I. Biblical leaders understand that the \_\_\_\_\_ of one task is not the \_\_\_\_\_ of the opposition.  
*(Nehemiah 6:17–19; I Kings 18–19; Matthew 10:26–28; Proverbs 29:25; Psalm 27:1, Psalm 118:5–9; Daniel 10:19; Hebrews 13:6; Isaiah 8:11–13, Isaiah 51:7, 12; I Samuel 15:24; Romans 8:31; Deuteronomy 31:6)*
- II. Biblical leaders understand that some of our \_\_\_\_\_ can be compromised and double-minded.  
*(Nehemiah 6:17–18; II Samuel 16:5–13, 19:16–23; I Kings 2:8, 36–44; James 1:8, James 4:8)*
- III. Biblical leaders understand that some saints can't tell the \_\_\_\_\_ guys from the \_\_\_\_\_ even when God is clearly at work in a work.  
*(Nehemiah 6:17–19; II Corinthians 11; I Timothy 1:6; Galatians 1:6, 3:1; Colossians 2:8)*
- IV. Biblical leaders understand that some "friends" are lurking to be " \_\_\_\_\_," so we must watch our \_\_\_\_\_.  
*(Nehemiah 6:19; Psalm 141:3; Proverbs 10:19; 12:6–7, 12:13, 12:18–19, 15:28, 21:23; 1 Peter 3:10; Ephesians 4:29)*

#### **Additional Notes:**



## Diving Deeper in Scripture Together

### Questions for Discussion & Reflection

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1. Tobiah's letters were meant to make Nehemiah afraid. Why do you think God allows fear-inducing voices to challenge believers; even after victories (1 Pet. 5:8)?
2. The nobles of Judah sent many letters to Tobiah which reveals the subtle danger of misplaced loyalties. How can we, as a community, encourage each other to keep our hearts "wholly His" (II Chronicles 16:9) when the world pulls at us?
3. What might it look like to repent not only of obvious sin but of *entangling affections* that dull spiritual discernment?
4. Nehemiah 6:19 shows us that Nehemiah's awareness that even among his people, not everyone could be trusted. How does this verse challenge us to be *wise with our words*? (Proverbs 21:23; Ephesians 4:29)
5. In Nehemiah 6:19, Nehemiah's critics came with flattery (*speaking of his good deeds in my presence*). Is it possible to be tempted to interpret someone's charisma or kindness as spiritual credibility?
6. What practices - prayer, accountability, Scripture saturation - help you discern truth from charm in ministry relationships?
7. When you think about the voices, threats, or circumstances that tempt you most to anxiety, how might Deuteronomy 31:6 "He will not leave you nor forsake you" serve as a direct answer from God today?
8. What spiritual habits help you move from reacting to resting when fear arises?
9. What might you need to lay down in trust this week - a worry, a rumor, or a wound - so that the peace of God can guard your heart? (Philippians 4:6-7)

10. How might God use someone's betrayal or gossip to refine your dependence on Him rather than public perception?
11. What would it look like this week to speak less and pray more, to cultivate relationships where truth is protected and gossip has no room to grow?