

# NEHEMIAH 12 vs 27

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The Book of Nehemiah originally was one book shared with Ezra; certain Greek manuscripts separated the two prior to the time of Origen and Jerome. Hebrew manuscripts kept them together until 1448. Nehemiah was a very gifted and capable man. His patriotism was infectious, moving men to leave their harvest in the field, in order to make the grueling journey back to Jerusalem. His integrity and humility made him stand out as a leader living at the highest level of trust. He attained fame as the cupbearer to King Artaxerxes of Persia.

The dedication of the rebuilt wall,

**27 Now at the dedication of the wall of Jerusalem the Levites were sought and brought from every quarter, to Jerusalem, to hold the dedication with gladness, and giving thanks, with singing, and cymbals, and lutes, and with harps;**

**28 and the sons of the musicians gathered together, from the plain surrounding Jerusalem, and from the villages of Netophath;**

**29 also from Beth-gilgal, and from the fields of Geba and Azmaveth: for the musicians built villages around Jerusalem.**

**30 And the priests and the Levites cleansed themselves, and cleansed the people, and the gates, and the wall.**

**31 Then I made the officials of Judah ascend the wall, and assigned two large groups of those who gave thanks, one processed along the wall to the right toward the Dung Gate:**

**32 And following them went Hoshaiiah, and half of the officials of Judah,**

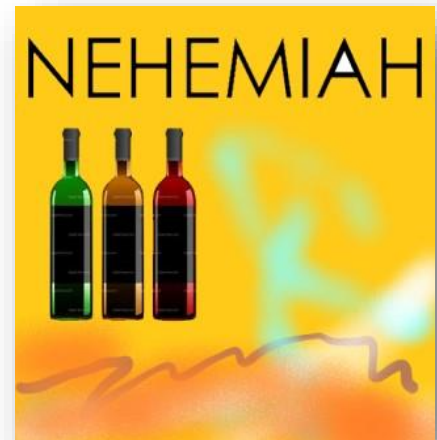
**33 with Azariah, Ezra, Meshullam,**

**34 Judah, Benjamin, Shemaiah, and Jeremiah,**

**35 and some of the sons of the priests with trumpets; namely Zechariah, son of Jonathan, the son of Shemaiah, the son of Mattaniah, the son of Michaiah, the son of Zaccur, the son of Asaph:**

**36 and his brothers, Shemaiah, Azarel, Milalai, Gilalai, Maai, Nethanel, Judah and Hanani, with the musical instruments of David the man of God.**

**And Ezra the scribe led them.**



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<sup>37</sup> And at the Fountain Gate, which was opposite them, they went directly up by the stairs of the City of David, at the ascent of the wall, above the house of David, even to the Water Gate on the east.

<sup>38</sup> And the other group of them who gave thanks went across from them, followed by myself, and the other half of the people along the wall, from beyond the Tower of Furnaces even to the Broad Wall;

<sup>39</sup> then past the Gate of Ephraim, and the Old Gate, and the Fish Gate, and the Tower of Hananel, and the Tower of Meah, to the Sheep Gate: and halting at the Guard Gate.

<sup>40</sup> So stood the two great groups of those who gave thanks in the House of God, ( I had with me half of the officials:

<sup>41</sup> and the priests; Eliakim, Maaseiah, Miniamin, Michaiah, Elioenai, Zechariah and Hananiah, who carried trumpets;

<sup>42</sup> and Maaseiah, Shemaiah, Eleazar, Uzzi, Jehohanan, Malchijah, Elam and Ezer. And the singers chanted aloud, led by Jezrahiah.

<sup>43</sup> That day they offered great sacrifices and rejoiced: for God made them rejoice greatly: also the women and children rejoiced: so that the joy of Jerusalem was heard far off.

<sup>44</sup> And at that time, some were assigned to take charge of the storerooms, for the offerings, the firstfruits, and the tithes, to collect from every town and its field, the portions for the priests and Levites as written in the law: (for Judah rejoiced over the priests and Levites who served).

<sup>45</sup> The singers and doorkeepers also discharged the offices of their God, and the office of cleansing, according to the command of David, and of his son Solomon.

<sup>46</sup> For in the days of David long ago, Asaph was chief of the singers, leading songs of praise and thanksgiving to God.

<sup>47</sup> And in the days of Zerubbabel, and Nehemiah, all Israel paid the daily dues of the singers and the doorkeepers: and they set apart something for the Levites; and the Levites set apart for the descendants of Aaron.

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