

**Nehemiah: Building a Life of Faith  
A Call to Refocus for the Future  
Nehemiah 7:1-73 (page 340)**

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It is time for us to *refocus* on...

**The importance of stability (7:1-3)**

- To prioritize worship  
(v 1; John 4:23-24; Ex 8:1,20; Rev 4:10; 5:9,1213,14)
- To development of godly character  
(v 2; 1 Cor 4:2; Luke 16:10; Ps 19:9; Prov 1:7; 8:13; 19:23)
- To watchfulness  
(v 3; 1 Pet 5:8; Gal 6:1; 1 Thess 5:6; 1 Tim 4:15-16)

**Personal faith (7:4-7)**

- To hear from God (v 5; Heb 3:7, 15;4:7; 1 Kings 19:9-13)
- To live out my faith  
(vs 6-7; Heb 11; 1 Thess 1:6-10; 1 Cor 11:1)

**The importance of people to God (7:8-60)**

- As individuals  
(vs 8-60; Matt 6:10:29-30; John 10:3; Jer 1:5)
- As families  
(vs 8-25; Gen 2:24; 1:28; Mark 10:29-30; Ps 68:6)
- Concerning our place in God's service  
(vs 39, 43-46,57,60; 1 Cor 12:11; Heb 6:10-12)

**The necessity of holiness (7:60-65)**

- Remember whose family we come from  
(vs 60-62; 1 Pet 1:15-16; Heb 2:11; Matt 7:21-23)
- Remember who we serve (vs 63-65; 1 Cor 9:24-27)

**The significance of commitment (7:66-73)**

- To be identified as God's people (v 66)
- To sacrificially engage in His purposes  
(v 67-72; 2 Sam 24:24; Luke 14:25-33; 21:1-4)

***To think on this week...***

Which of these priorities do I need to REFOCUS on and re-orient myself to continue to build a life of faith? How will I do that?

Do you know what your spiritual gift(s) is/are? How could you find out? How would that impact any of the five values listed above?

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