

**Nehemiah: Building a Life of Faith**  
***Refocusing – Being Dedicated to God***  
**Nehemiah 12:27-47 (page 345)**

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**Dedicating myself to God means...**

- **Giving myself to God requires (12:27-30)**
  - Responding with obedience to God (vs 27-29)
  - Keeping my heart clean (v 30)
- **Giving my accomplishments to God (12:31-43)**
  - Testifying that it is God's work (vs 31-39)
  - Giving God thanks (v 31, 39)
  - Rejoicing in God's goodness (vs 40- 43)
- **Giving my gifts to God (12:44-47)**

**To Think about...**

What areas of my life have I continued to keep from giving God control over? Why am I continuing to hold back in those areas?

Am I maintaining openness with God by regularly examining myself before Him and confessing sins that hinder my relationship with Him and others? How can I make that a regular part of my day?

What are three things that I can give God thanks for from this last week? Do it right now.

Do I see myself as a steward of God's provision for me? If so, am I generous to give back to Him what is His? Does my giving demonstrate that or is that an area that I hold back from God?