

Sermon Based Questions for Nehemiah 7 – 2/25/18

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- 2) There are many beautiful cathedral churches in Europe, and even in Cleveland, that are now vacant or have been converted into museums. Why do you think there is no longer church services being held there?
- 3) Pastor Dan advocated, based upon Nehemiah Ch. 7, that for there to be a strong Godly presence in this world there must be three things (see the sermon outline). What are they and do you agree?
- 4) What role does the elder and deacons play in the church?
- 5) Read 1 Timothy 3:1-13. How does this passage change your perception of those who have been called to fill such positions in the church?
- 6) Nehemiah thought it necessary to make public the genealogy list of those who returned to inhabit Jerusalem. Why is it also equally necessary for a church to have a membership list today?
- 7) If you are a member of BRC why did you become one? If you are not yet a member, why not? What is holding you back?
- 8) Many of the returning Jews gave to the work of God by filling different roles in the temple worship (priests, Levites, singers, gatekeepers, etc.) and by giving financially to God's cause. How is the same needed for the church to exist today?
- 9) Discuss the 4 ways the genealogy list in Nehemiah Ch. 7 was categorized (as highlighted in the sermon). What category stuck out to you as equally significant for the health of the church today?
- 10) What is one very practical way you personally can contribute to BRC being a strong Godly presence in this community?

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