

MAN 

[NEHEMIAH : SESSION 5 : FINISH THE JOB]

I AM A MAN.

**God has called me, gifted me,
empowered me, and positioned
me to lead myself, my family,
& my community.**

TODAY I CHOOSE TO . . .

- Own It**
- Ask for Help**
- Never Quit**
- Take the Lead**
- Finish the Job**

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52 days and 12 years later . . .

- **wall** had been rebuilt / **confession** had been made
worship had been restored / **leaders** were leading
- after 12 years of Governing the Vision - Nehemiah went back to his position with King Artaxerxes in Babylon.

1. RETURN to your post.

13:7 - "I later asked the Kings permission to **return** and when I arrived back in Jerusalem, I learned . . ."

[enemy sleeping in the temple / married to pagans
children didn't know God's law or God's language
buying, selling, and working on the Sabbath]

2. REMOVE everything that is destructive, distractive, or deceptive.

13:8-9 - "I became very upset and threw **all** of Tobiah's belongings out of the room. Then I demanded that the rooms be purified."

13:11 - "I immediately **confronted** the Leaders and demanded - Why has the Temple of God been neglected?"

13:17-18 - "I **confronted** the Nobles of Judah -
Why are you profaning the Sabbath in this evil way?
Wasn't it just this sort of thing that your ancestors did that caused our God to bring all this trouble upon us and our city?"

13:25 - “I **confronted** them and called down curses on them.

I beat some of them and pulled out their hair. I made them swear in the name of God that they would not let their children intermarry with the pagan people of the land.”

13:30 - “I **purged** out everything foreign.”

3. RESTORE anything that restores LIFE.

13:9 - “I **brought back** the articles for God’s Temple, the grain offerings, and the frankincense.”

13:12 - “I called all the Levites back again and **restored** them to their proper duties.”

13:13 - “I **assigned** supervisors for the storerooms.”

13:22 - “I **commanded** the Levites to purify themselves and to guard the gates in order to preserve the holiness of the Sabbath.”

13:30 - “I **assigned** tasks to the priests and Levites, making certain that each knew his work.”

4. REMEMBER the why.

13:14 - “**Remember** this good deed, O my God, and do not forget all that I have faithfully done.”

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FINISH THE JOB :: Q&A

Q :: What's the **FIRST** thing you need to **RETURN** to?

Q :: I need to **REMOVE** these things ASAP . . .

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Q :: I need to **RESTORE** these things ASAP . . .

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Q :: The one thing I need to **REMEMBER** is . . .

Assignment :: Pray through this statement . . .

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