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The Day that Changed Everything
Nehemiah 8

Nehemiah 1-6 is about building God's Projects
Nehemiah 7-13 is about Building God's People

The Problem: The people are _____ and _____. (7:4)

How do God's people get rebuilt and renewed?

A. ATTENTION TO GOD'S WORD (8:1-8)

1. Show up and give God your _____. (v.3)
2. Leaders _____ for and _____ in God's renewal. (v.4,7-8)
3. Attention leads to a _____ and _____ posture of worship. (vv.5-6)

B. THE JOY OF THE LORD (8:9-12)

Why the weeping?

Deuteronomy 28:64-68

Why rejoicing?

Deuteronomy 30:1-3

Zephaniah 3:14-20

Psalm 16:11

C. WORSHIP-INSPIRED OBEDIENCE (8:13-18)

1. Joy is sustained by _____ obedience. (8:13-18)

The Feast of Booths

Passage	What?	Why?
Leviticus 23:39-43	Take the fruit of splendid trees, palm branches, boughs of leafy trees and willows and <u>rejoice</u> before the Lord for seven days... dwell in booths (tents) for seven days. Rest. Celebration. Feasting.	<i>"...that your generations may know that I made the people of Israel dwell in booths when I brought them out of the land of Egypt."</i>
Deuteronomy 16:13-15	<u>Rejoice</u> in your feast with everyone in your household, incl. fatherless and widows	<i>"...because the Lord your God will bless you in all your produce and in all the work of your hands, <u>so that you will be altogether joyful.</u>"</i>
Deuteronomy 31:9-13	<u>Every seven years</u> this included reading the law before all Israel in their hearing...assemble the people, men, women, and little ones, and the sojourner within your towns	<i>"...that they <u>may hear and learn to fear the Lord your God</u>, and be careful to do all the works of this law, and that their children, who have not known it, <u>may hear and learn to fear the Lord your God</u>, as long as you live in the land..."</i>

John 15:11

Conclusion