

**Reaching**

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# NEHEMIAH

**From Ruin to Revival**

**Coming Out  
Nehemiah 12**

***27 At the dedication of the wall of Jerusalem, the Levites were sought out from where they lived and were brought to Jerusalem***

***27 to celebrate joyfully  
the dedication with  
songs of thanksgiving  
and with the music of  
cymbals, harps and  
lyres.***

***28 The musicians also  
were brought together  
from the region around  
Jerusalem....***

***30 When the priests and Levites had purified themselves ceremonially, they purified the people, the gates and the wall.***

***31 I had the leaders of Judah go up on top of the wall. I also assigned two large choirs to give thanks. One was to proceed on top of the wall to the right,***

***31 toward the Dung  
Gate. 32 Hoshaiiah and  
half the leaders of Judah  
followed them, ...***



***38 The second choir  
proceeded in the  
opposite direction. I  
followed them on top of  
the wall, together with  
half the people--***

***38—past the Tower of the  
Ovens to the Broad  
Wall... At the Gate of the  
Guard they stopped.***

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***40 The two choirs that  
gave thanks then took  
their places in the house  
of God; so did I, together  
with half the officials,  
41 as well as the  
priests....***

***42 The choirs sang under the direction of Jezrahiah. 43 And on that day they offered great sacrifices, rejoicing because God had given them great joy.***

**43 *The women and children also rejoiced.***  
**The sound of rejoicing in Jerusalem could be heard far away.**

***After nearly a century of captivity, Jerusalem, the City of God, has been re-established and its time to celebrate! It is a celebration of what God has done for them!***

***Key phrase: The sound of rejoicing in Jerusalem could be heard far away.***

***No longer ashamed, fearful, or hesitant, they openly worship the Lord***



# *Coming Out*

*1. You are chosen by  
God, for God, to honor  
God*

***9 But you are a chosen  
people, a royal priest-  
hood, a holy nation,  
God's special  
possession,***

***9 that you may declare  
the praises of him who  
called you out of  
darkness into his  
wonderful light.***

# *Coming Out*

*2. God is calling us to  
come out and be  
separate.*

*2 Corinthians 6:14-17*

***14 Do not be yoked together with unbelievers. For what do righteousness and wickedness have in common?***

***14 Or what fellowship can light have with darkness?***

***15 What harmony is there between Christ and Belial (devil)? Or what does a believer have in common with an unbeliever?***

***16 What agreement is there between the temple of God and idols? For we are the temple of the living God.***

***16 As God has said: "I will live with them and walk among them, and I will be their God, and they will be my people."***



***17 Therefore, “Come out from them and be separate, says the Lord. Touch no unclean thing, and I will receive you.”***

# *Come Out & Be Separate*

- *Separate from the participation in sin.*
- *Ephesians 4:20-32*

***20 That, however, is not  
the way of life you  
learned 21 when you  
heard about Christ and  
were taught in him in  
accordance with the truth  
that is in Jesus.***

***22 You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires;***

***23 to be made new in the attitude of your minds; 24 and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.***

***25 Therefore each of you must put off falsehood and speak truthfully to your neighbor, for we are all members of one body. 26 “In your anger do not sin”***

***26 Do not let the sun go  
down while you are still  
angry, 27 and do not give  
the devil a foothold.***

***28 Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need.***



***29 Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.***

***30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, with whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.***

***31 Get rid of all bitterness,  
rage and anger, brawling  
and slander, along with  
every form of malice.***

***32 Be kind and  
compassionate to one  
another, forgiving each  
other, just as in Christ  
God forgave you.***

# *Come Out & Be Separate*

- *Separate from professing believers who are living in sin without repentance.*
- *2 Corinthians 5:9-11*

***9 I wrote to you in my letter not to associate with sexually immoral people 10 not at all meaning the people of this world who are immoral,***

***10 or the greedy and swindlers, or idolaters. In that case you would have to leave this world.***

***11 But now I am writing to you that you must not associate with anyone who claims to be a brother or sister but is sexually immoral or greedy,***



***11 an idolater or slanderer,  
a drunkard or swindler.  
Do not even eat with such  
people.***

# *Come Out & Be Separate*

- *Separate from professing believers who are living in sin without repentance.*

*Differentiate between those who are weak vs. those who are reckless or rebellious.*

***Come Out & Be Separate  
Rep. Emmanuel Cleaver (D)  
Missouri ended his prayer  
“in the name of the  
monotheistic god, Brahma,”  
before finishing with “and  
god known by many names  
by many different faiths.  
Amen and a-woman.”***

# *Come Out & Be Separate*



# *Come Out & Be Separate*

- *Separate from relationships with others that lead to compromise.*
  - *Missionary dating*
  - *Business*
  - *Inner circle of friends*

# *Coming Out*

*3. We remain “in the world but not of the world.”*

*John 17:14-15*

**Can others see your  
life, your posts, your  
comments your  
language, your actions,  
your viewing and know  
you are a Christ  
follower?**



**Are you coming out of  
the world and living in  
the light?**



**Your challenge:**

**1. Allow God to help  
you separate....**

**2. Celebrate Christ so  
that it can be heard far  
away.**



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