

## DEDICATING THE WALL – Nehemiah 12:27-47

### Lesson 18

#### I. A time to celebrate

*“When the people march on the walls to the Temple they do so after having placed the Temple at the center of their thoughts... a monument to... God’s gift for the protection and perpetuation of His Name in the world.”*

Unknown

#### A. Two parts of the book of Nehemiah

1. Nehemiah’s leadership: The **building** of the wall
2. Ezra’s leadership: The **revival** and **rededication** of the people

#### B. What was the significance of the march?

1. The people could **see** and **touch** their work.
2. The people were **proclaiming** what God had **accomplished**.
3. The people were **receiving** God’s **blessing**.

#### II. The dedication

#### A. First: The dedication of the **people**

#### B. Second: The dedication of the **wall**

1. Singing with **instruments**
2. **Rejoicing**

*“Holiness precedes happiness” Charles Swindoll*

3. Inclusion of **women** and **children**

#### III. The work continues

*“When God’s work is done in God’s way for God’s glory, it will not lack God’s support.” Hudson Taylor*

#### A. Bringing the **gifts** to God

#### B. **Organizing** the workers