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# Day 284. 10-October Daily Reading (Prophets and Writings).

# Nehemiah 13.

### 1 <u>. Principles of Separation.</u>

On that day they read in the book of Moses in the audience of the people; and therein was found written, that an Ammonite and a Moabite should not enter into the assembly of ELOHIM forever,

2 because they didn't meet the children of Israel with bread and with water, but hired Balaam against them, to curse them: however our ELOHIM turned the curse into a blessing.

3 It came to pass, when they had heard the Torah (teaching and instruction), that they separated from Israel all the mixed multitude.

# 4 . The Reforms of Nehemiah. .

Now before this, Eliashib the priest, who was appointed over the rooms of the house of our ELOHIM, being allied to Tobiah,

5 had prepared for him a great room, where before they laid the meal offerings, the frankincense, and the vessels, and the tithes of the grain, the new wine, and the oil, which were given by commandment to the Levites, and the singers, and the porters; and the wave offerings for the priests.

6 But in all this, I was not at Jerusalem; for in the two and thirtieth year of Artaxerxes king of Babylon I went to the king: and after certain days asked I leave of the king, 7 and I came to Jerusalem, and understood the evil that Eliashib had done for Tobiah, in preparing him a room in the courts of the house of ELOHIM!

8 It grieved me severely: therefore I cast forth all the household stuff of Tobiah out of the room.

9 Then I commanded, and they cleansed the rooms: and there brought I again the vessels of the house of ELOHIM, with the meal offerings and the frankincense.

10 I perceived that the portions of the Levites had not been given them; so that the Levites and the singers, who did the work, had fled everyone to his field.

11 Then I contended with the rulers, and said, "Why is the house of ELOHIM forsaken?" I gathered them together, and set them in their place.

12 Then brought all Judah the tithe of the grain and the new wine and the oil to the treasuries.

13 I made treasurers over the treasuries, Shelemiah the priest, and Zadok the scribe, and of the Levites, Pedaiah: and next to them was Hanan the son of Zaccur, the son of Mattaniah; for they were counted faithful, and their business was to distribute to their brothers.

14 Remember me, my ELOHIM, concerning this, and don't wipe out my good deeds that I have done for the house of my ELOHIM, and for its observances.

15 In those days saw I in Judah some men treading winepresses on the Sabbath, and bringing in sheaves, and loading donkeys; as also wine, grapes, and figs, and all kinds of burdens, which they brought into Jerusalem on the Sabbath day: and I testified against them in the day in which they sold food.

16 There lived men of Tyre also therein, who brought in fish, and all kinds of wares, and sold on the Sabbath to the children of Judah, and in Jerusalem.

17 Then I contended with the nobles of Judah, and said to them, "What evil thing is this that you do, and profane the Sabbath day?

18 Didn't your fathers do thus, and didn't our ELOHIM bring all this evil on us, and on this city? Yet you bring more wrath on Israel by profaning the Sabbath."

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19 It came to pass that, when the gates of Jerusalem began to be dark before the Sabbath, I commanded that the doors should be shut, and commanded that they should not be opened until after the Sabbath. I set some of my servants over the gates, that no burden should be brought in on the Sabbath day.

**20** So the merchants and sellers of all kinds of wares lodged outside of Jerusalem once or twice.

21 Then I testified against them, and said to them, "Why do you stay around the wall? If you do so again, I will lay hands on you." From that time on, they didn't come on the Sabbath.

22 I commanded the Levites that they should purify themselves, and that they should come and keep the gates, to sanctify the Sabbath day. Remember to me, my ELOHIM, this also, and spare me according to the greatness of your loving kindness.

23 In those days also saw I the Jews who had married women of Ashdod, of Ammon, and of Moab:

**24** and their children spoke half in the speech of Ashdod, and could not speak in the Jews' language, but according to the language of each people.

25 I contended with them, and cursed them, and struck certain of them, and plucked off their hair, and made them swear by ELOHIM, "You shall not give your daughters to their sons, nor take their daughters for your sons, or for yourselves.

26 Didn't Solomon king of Israel sin by these things? Yet among many nations was there no king like him, and he was beloved of his ELOHIM, and ELOHIM made him king over all Israel. Nevertheless foreign women caused even him to sin.

27 Shall we then listen to you to do all this great evil, to trespass against our ELOHIM in marrying foreign women?"

28 One of the sons of Joiada, the son of Eliashib the high priest, was son-in-law to Sanballat the Horonite: therefore I chased him from me.

**29** Remember them, my ELOHIM, because they have defiled the priesthood, and the covenant of the priesthood, and of the Levites.

**30** Thus I cleansed them from all foreigners, and appointed duties for the priests and for the Levites, everyone in his work;

31 and for the wood offering, at times appointed, and for the first fruits. Remember me, my ELOHIM, for good.

# Psalms 104:24-35.

24 YHWH, how many are your works! In wisdom have you made them all. The earth is full of your riches.

**25** There is the sea, great and wide, in which are innumerable living things, both small and large animals.

26 There the ships go, and leviathan, whom you formed to play there.

27 These all wait for you, that you may give them their food in due season.

28 You give to them; they gather. You open your hand; they are satisfied with good.

29 You hide your face: they are troubled; you take away their breath: they die, and return to the dust.

30 You send forth your Spirit: they are created. You renew the face of the ground. 31 Let the glory of YHWH endure forever. Let YHWH rejoice in his works.

32 He looks at the earth, and it trembles. He touches the mountains, and they smoke.33 I will sing to YHWH as long as I live. I will sing praise to my ELOHIM while I have

any being.

34 Let your meditation be sweet to him. I will rejoice in YHWH!

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35 Let sinners be consumed out of the earth. Let the wicked be no more. Bless YHWH, my soul. Praise YAH!

# Proverbs 25.

1 These also are proverbs of Solomon, which the men of Hezekiah king of Judah copied out.

2 It is the glory of ELOHIM to conceal a thing, but the glory of kings is to search out a matter.

3 As the heavens for height, and the earth for depth, so the hearts of kings are unsearchable.

4 Take away the dross from the silver, and material comes out for the refiner;

5 Take away the wicked from the king's presence, and his throne will be established in righteousness.

6 Don't exalt yourself in the presence of the king, or claim a place among great men; 7 for it is better that it be said to you, "Come up here," than that you should be put lower in the presence of the prince, whom your eyes have seen.

8 Don't be hasty in bringing charges to court. What will you do in the end when your neighbor shames you?

9 Debate your case with your neighbor, and don't betray the confidence of another; 10 lest one who hears it put you to shame, and your bad reputation never depart.

11 A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in settings of silver.

12 As an earring of gold, and an ornament of fine gold, so is a wise reprover to an obedient ear.

**13** As the cold of snow in the time of harvest, so is a faithful messenger to those who send him; for he refreshes the soul of his masters.

14 As clouds and wind without rain, so is he who boasts of gifts deceptively.

15 By patience a ruler is persuaded. A soft tongue breaks the bone.

16 Have you found honey? Eat as much as is sufficient for you, lest you eat too much, and vomit it.

17 Let your foot be seldom in your neighbor's house, lest he be weary of you, and hate you.

18 A man who gives false testimony against his neighbor is like a club, a sword, or a sharp arrow.

19 Confidence in someone unfaithful in time of trouble is like a bad tooth, or a lame foot. 20 As one who takes away a garment in cold weather, or vinegar on soda, so is one who sings songs to a heavy heart.

21 If your enemy is hungry, give him food to eat. If he is thirsty, give him water to drink: 22 for you will heap coals of fire on his head, and YHWH will reward you.

23 The north wind brings forth rain: so a backbiting tongue brings an angry face.

24 It is better to dwell in the corner of the housetop, than to share a house with a contentious woman.

25 Like cold water to a thirsty soul, so is good news from a far country.

26 Like a muddied spring, and a polluted well, so is a righteous man who gives way before the wicked.

27 It is not good to eat much honey; nor is it honorable to seek one's own honor.28 Like a city that is broken down and without walls is a man whose spirit is without restraint.

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