KINGDOM BIBLE QUIZ

Nehemiah Bible Quiz

11 questions. Choose the best answer for each question. The answer key is on the last pages.

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1. What was Nehemiah's primary role before he became the governor of Jerusalem?

Ⓐ Priest
Ⓑ Cupbearer to the king
Ⓒ Scribe
Ⓓ Military commander

2. Which theme is central to the book of Nehemiah?

Ⓐ Rebuilding and spiritual renewal
Ⓑ The Messianic prophecy
Ⓒ Salvation by faith alone
Ⓓ The fall of Jerusalem

3. Who was the Persian king that granted Nehemiah permission to rebuild Jerusalem's walls?

Ⓐ Artaxerxes I
Ⓑ Darius the Great
Ⓒ Cyrus the Great
Ⓓ Xerxes I

4. Which geographical location is the city Nehemiah was concerned about rebuilding?

Ⓐ Samaria
Ⓑ Jericho
Ⓒ Jerusalem
Ⓓ Bethlehem

5. Which literary style is most prominent in the book of Nehemiah?

Ⓐ Proverbial sayings
Ⓑ Poetry
Ⓒ Historical narrative
Ⓓ Parables

6. What key leadership quality does Nehemiah exemplify in the book?

Ⓐ Indecisiveness
Ⓑ Courage and prayerfulness
Ⓒ Arrogance
Ⓓ Neglect of duties

7. Who was the Persian king that authorized Nehemiah to rebuild Jerusalem's walls?

Ⓐ King Cyrus
Ⓑ King Darius
Ⓒ King Artaxerxes I
Ⓓ King Xerxes

8. **How did Nehemiah respond to the threat of enemies during the rebuilding efforts?**
   - Ⓐ He negotiated peace
   - Ⓑ He armed the workers and set a guard
   - Ⓒ He stopped work temporarily
   - Ⓓ He abandoned the project

9. **What significant spiritual reform did Nehemiah implement upon returning to Jerusalem?**
   - Ⓐ Rebuilding the temple
   - Ⓑ Establishing a new priesthood
   - Ⓒ Building a new city gate
   - Ⓓ Reinstituting the reading of the Law and covenant renewal

10. **What was the main obstacle Nehemiah faced during the wall rebuilding project?**
    - Ⓐ Lack of materials
    - Ⓑ Internal opposition and threats from neighboring peoples
    - Ⓒ Lack of workers
    - Ⓓ Poor leadership

11. **During Nehemiah's leadership, what social reforms were implemented?**
    - Ⓐ Restoration of Sabbath observance and fair treatment of the poor
    - Ⓑ Marriage to foreign wives
    - Ⓒ Establishment of new religious festivals
    - Ⓓ Redistribution of land

Answer key: Nehemiah Bible Quiz

Each answer has a short explanation and the Bible passage to read.

1. **B. Cupbearer to the king**

Nehemiah 1:11 states that Nehemiah served as the cupbearer to King Artaxerxes, a position of trust and influence.

2. **A. Rebuilding and spiritual renewal**

Nehemiah emphasizes physical rebuilding of walls and spiritual renewal of the people (Nehemiah 1-13).
Nehemiah 1–13

3. **A. Artaxerxes I**

Nehemiah was granted permission by King Artaxerxes I to return and rebuild Jerusalem (Nehemiah 2:1-8).
Nehemiah 2:1-8

4. **C. Jerusalem**

Nehemiah's mission was to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem after the city's walls were destroyed (Nehemiah 2:17).
Nehemiah 2:17

5. **C. Historical narrative**

Nehemiah is primarily a historical account detailing events, leadership, and reforms (entire book).

6. **B. Courage and prayerfulness**

Nehemiah's prayer in Nehemiah 1 and his courageous leadership during opposition highlight these qualities.
Nehemiah 1; 4:9

7. **C. King Artaxerxes I**

Nehemiah 2:1-8 records how King Artaxerxes granted Nehemiah permission to go to Jerusalem and rebuild the walls.

8. **B. He armed the workers and set a guard**

Nehemiah 4:17-18 details how workers carried weapons while working to defend against opposition.
Nehemiah 4:16-18

9. **D. Reinstituting the reading of the Law and covenant renewal**

Nehemiah 8 records how Ezra read the Law to the people, leading to a spiritual revival and covenant renewal.
Nehemiah 8–10

10. **B. Internal opposition and threats from neighboring peoples**

Nehemiah faced serious trouble on two simultaneous fronts: hostile neighbors — Sanballat the Horonite, Tobiah the Ammonite, Geshem the Arab, and the Ashdodites — threatened military attack and hatched plots to intimidate or assassinate him from outside, while within the community itself wealthy Jews were charging crushing interest and seizing the fields, houses, and even the children of their poorer neighbors, putting the entire project at risk of collapse from within. Nehemiah countered both crises — arming the builders and stationing armed guards by families against the external threat, and publicly confronting the nobles and officials until they agreed to restore everything they had taken and cancel the interest.

Nehemiah 4–6

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11. **A. Restoration of Sabbath observance and fair treatment of the poor**

Nehemiah pursued two significant social reforms during his time as governor: he confronted wealthy creditors who were charging interest and seizing the fields, vineyards, and children of fellow Jews, compelling them to restore everything taken and to cancel outstanding debts, thereby securing fair treatment of the poor; and he enforced Sabbath observance by ordering the city gates shut at dusk before each Sabbath so that merchants could not enter to trade, and he stationed guards at the gates to hold the line.

Nehemiah 5:1–13; 13:15–22

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