Nehemiah 7:1-73, "The Old 300" 9/17/23

Introduction

This list is almost identical to the list in Ezra 2. Why did the Spirit have Nehemiah repeat this list?

- 1. Determine pureblood Israelites & to validate their property rights (land kept in perpetuity).
- 2. Encourage the Jews to move into Jerusalem (11:1-2); one of the main goals of their return.
- 3. Confirm a 2nd time God's *Hesed* to His people in bringing them back to the Promised Land.

7:1-2, Great Leaders

- 1. Faithful
- 2. Fear the Lord

7:3-4, The Lord calls us...

- o To be watchful where we are
- O To be witnesses where we are

Conclusion:

We ourselves are part of the traveling company of the Lord in this early 21st century:

- 1. We fix our eyes on the heavenly city.
- 2. Each of us has a unique God-given role to fulfill in this life.
- 3. Beware of the wickedness of comparisons!