

SERMON OUTLINE & DISCUSSION QUESTIONS  
MARCH 21, 2021

**ZEAL FOR THE PURITY OF GOD'S PEOPLE**  
**NEHEMIAH 13:23-31**

**MAIN THOUGHT & OUTLINE**

You must zealously seek the purity of the family of God.

- I. Zealously Seek the Purity of the People (v.23-27)
- II. Zealously Seek the Purity of the Leadership (v.28-29)
- III. Zealously Seek the Purity of the Whole Family in Everything (v.30-31)

**QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION & DISCUSSION**

1. How are you teaching your children the Christian language?
2. Does Nehemiah's reaction make you uncomfortable? Why or why not?
3. How would a "one-size-fits-all" approach to church discipline be detrimental to the goals of discipline?
4. How does the conclusion to both Ezra and Nehemiah leave you longing for a better ending to the story? Why do you think Ezra & Nehemiah end this way?

**FURTHER READING:** Deut 7:1-6; Deut 25:1-3; 1 Kings 11:1-2; Ezra 9 & 10; Mal 2:7-8, 15; Heb 7:26-27;