

SERMON NOTES

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Never Give Up!

Nehemiah 13:1-31

Revival Leads To ...

- 1) God's people being radically hungry for God's Word. (Nehemiah 8)
- 2) God's people being serious about their sin and humbly confessing before God. (Nehemiah 9)
- 3) God's people dedicating all that they are and all that they have to God and His purposes. (Nehemiah 10)
- 4) God's people are doing the work of ministry. (Nehemiah 11-12)

The Uniqueness of Growing Old ...

LESSON - Never Give Up (Nehemiah 13:1-31)

I. NEVER GIVE UP WHEN YOU FACE THE SIN OF COMPROMISE. vs. 1-9

The Problem vs. 1-7

The Plan vs. 8-9

He handled it IMMEDIATELY.

See 1 Corinthians 3:16; 6:19

II. NEVER GIVE UP WHEN YOU FACE THE SIN OF SELFISHNESS. vs. 10-14

The Problem v. 10 "I also discovered"

The Plan vs. 11-14

He handled it DRASTICALLY.

III. NEVER GIVE UP WHEN YOU FACE THE SIN OF MATERIALISM. vs.15-22

The Problem vs. 15-18

The Plan vs. 19-22

He handled it FIRMLY.

1 Thessalonians 4:3

Romans 13:7

IV. NEVER GIVE UP WHEN YOU FACE THE SIN OF DISOBEDIENCE. vs.23-31

The Problem vs. 23-24

The Plan vs. 25-31

He handled it SEVERELY.

Application ...

- 1) In this life God does not provide FINAL victory over sin.
- 2) Temptation in the believer's life does not DIMINISH with age.

Nehemiah's closing verse v. 31

Remember ...

Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Phil. 2:12-13; I Tim. 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- How can I accomplish this change?
- What is the first step toward bringing about this change?