

**“SETTING THINGS IN ORDER –
Overseeing the People of God”
Nehemiah 7:1 – 73**

1. GATEKEEPERS APPOINTED	1
2. LEADERS APPOINTED	2
3. PROCEDURES ESTABLISHED	3
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5. PEOPLE ENROLLED	4 – 69
6. GIFTS RECORDED	70 – 72
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Having succeeded in rebuilding the walls, Nehemiah sought to rebuild the city, the lives of the people and the work of God. To restore Jerusalem, he needed to set things in order.

In “setting things in order,” Nehemiah recognized the following principles:

- 1) The ongoing need to defend - Acts 20:28 - 31
- 2) The need for human responsibility - 1 Corinthians 16:13
- 3) The need for qualified leadership - 1 Timothy 3:2 – 5
- 4) The value of procedures
- 5) The need for delegated responsibility
- 6) The principle of self-interest
- 7) The value of organization – 1 Corinthians 14:40; Proverbs 27:23
- 8) The value of the people of God - Isaiah 62:4
- 9) The value of a connection to the past
- 10) The value of genuine spiritual leadership
- 11) The value of the gifts and works of the people of God
- 12) The value of vision beyond the present

“But let all things be done properly and in an orderly manner . . .
And those from among you will rebuild the ancient ruins; You will raise up the age-old foundations;
And you will be called the repairer of the breach; The restorer of the streets in which to dwell.”

1 Corinthians 14:40; Isaiah 58:12 NASB