Nehemiah 10:1-39 Covenant to Follow the Law – Those Who Sealed it

The People Who Sealed the Covenant

- 1 Now those who placed their seal on the document were:
- Nehemiah the governor, the son of Hacaliah, and Zedekiah,
- ² Seraiah, Azariah, Jeremiah,
- 3 Pashhur, Amariah, Malchijah,
- 4 Hattush, Shebaniah, Malluch,
- 5 Harim, Meremoth, Obadiah,
- 6 Daniel, Ginnethon, Baruch,
- 7 Meshullam, Abijah, Mijamin,
- 8 Maaziah, Bilgai, and Shemaiah. These were the priests.
- 9 The Levites: Jeshua the son of Azaniah, Binnui of the sons of Henadad, and Kadmiel.
- 10 Their brethren: Shebaniah, Hodijah, Kelita, Pelaiah, Hanan,
- 11 Micha, Rehob, Hashabiah,
- 12 Zaccur, Sherebiah, Shebaniah,
- 13 Hodijah, Bani, and Beninu.
- 14 The leaders of the people: Parosh, Pahath-Moab, Elam, Zattu, Bani,
- 15 Bunni, Azgad, Bebai,
- 16 Adonijah, Bigvai, Adin,
- 17 Ater, Hezekiah, Azzur,
- 18 Hodijah, Hashum, Bezai,
- 19 Hariph, Anathoth, Nebai,
- 20 Magpiash, Meshullam, Hezir,
- 21 Meshezabel, Zadok, Jaddua,
- 22 Pelatiah, Hanan, Anaiah,
- 23 Hoshea, Hananiah, Hasshub,
- 24 Hallohesh, Pilha, Shobek,
- 25 Rehum, Hashabnah, Maaseiah,
- 26 Ahijah, Hanan, Anan,
- 27 Malluch, Harim, and Baanah.

The Covenant That Was Sealed

- Now the rest of the people the priests, the Levites, the gatekeepers, the singers, the Nethinim, and all those who had separated themselves from the peoples of the lands to Torah Elohiym (the Law of God), their wives, their sons, and their daughters, everyone who had knowledge and understanding —
- 29 these joined with their brethren, their nobles, and entered into a curse and an oath to walk in Torah Elohiym (God's Law), which was given by Moses the servant of Elohiym (God), and to observe and do all the commandments of Yahweh Adoneynu (the Lord our Lord), and His ordinances and His statutes:
- 30 We would not give our daughters as wives to the peoples of the land, nor take their daughters for our sons;
- 31 if the peoples of the land brought wares or any grain to sell on the Sabbath day, we would not buy it from them on the Sabbath, or on a holy day; and we would forego the seventh year's produce and

the exacting of every debt.

- 32 Also we made ordinances for ourselves, to exact from ourselves yearly one-third of a shekel for the service of Beit Elohiym (the house of our God):
- for the showbread, for the regular grain offering, for the regular burnt offering of the Sabbaths, the New Moons, and the set feasts; for the holy things, for the sin offerings to make atonement for Israel, and all the work of Beit Eloheynu (the house of our God).
- ³⁴ We cast lots among the priests, the Levites, and the people, for bringing the wood offering into Beit Eloheynu (the house of our God), according to our fathers' houses, at the appointed times year by year, to burn on the altar of Yahweh Eloheynu (the Lord our God) as it is written in the Law.
- 35 And we made ordinances to bring the firstfruits of our ground and the firstfruits of all fruit of all trees, year by year, to Beit Yahweh (the house of the Lord);
- ³⁶ to bring the firstborn of our sons and our cattle, as it is written in the Law, and the firstborn of our herds and our flocks, to Beit Eloheynu (the house of our God), to the priests who minister in Beit Eloheynu (the house of our God);
- 37 to bring the firstfruits of our dough, our offerings, the fruit from all kinds of trees, the new wine and oil, to the priests, to the storerooms of Beit Eloheynu (the house of our God); and to bring the tithes of our land to the Levites, for the Levites should receive the tithes in all our farming communities.
- 38 And the priest, the descendant of Aaron, shall be with the Levites when the Levites receive tithes; and the Levites shall bring up a tenth of the tithes to Beit Eloheynu (the house of our God), to the rooms of the storehouse.
- ³⁹ For the children of Israel and the children of Levi shall bring the offering of the grain, of the new wine and the oil, to the storerooms where the articles of the sanctuary are, where the priests who minister and the gatekeepers and the singers are; and we will not neglect Beit Eloheynu (the house of our God).

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Facts Revealed:

The People Who Sealed the Covenant

♦ The list of those who sealed the covenant. [Nehemiah 10:1-27]

The Covenant That Was Sealed [Nehemiah 10:28-39]

- ❖ A pledge of the people to separate themselves from the peoples of the land and carefully follow Torah Elohiym, the Law given by Moses the servant of Elohiym. [Nehemiah 10:28-29]
- **☼** To obey all the commandments, ordinances, and statutes of the Law. [Nehemiah 10:29]
- **☼** To avoid intermarriage with the people of the land. [Nehemiah 10:30]
- **☼** To avoid buying any merchandise on the Sabbath or holy day. [Nehemiah 10:31]
- **☼** To honor the release of the seventh year and the sabbath rest for the land. [Nehemiah 10:31, Exodus 23:10-13, Leviticus 25:1-7, 18-22, Deuteronomy 15:1-18]
- ♦ To provide support, tithes, and offerings for Beit Elohiym on all occasions. [Nehemiah 10:32-39]