



**If You Care You Will Celebrate (Nehemiah 11/12)**  
Sunday, January 20, 2019 AVBC 10:30 am

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**DEDICATION produces \_\_\_\_\_!**

*Now we who are strong ought to bear the weaknesses of those without strength and not just please ourselves. (Romans 15:1)*

**1. Celebratory worship requires \_\_\_\_\_.**

A. \_\_\_\_\_ **People (11:14)**

B. \_\_\_\_\_ **People (11:15-16)**

C. \_\_\_\_\_ **People (11:17; 12:8)**

Nethinim did all the things that seemed \_\_\_\_\_, but  
would be \_\_\_\_\_ if left undone.

D. \_\_\_\_\_ **but often forgotten people (11:20-21)**

**2. Celebratory worship requires \_\_\_\_\_**

• \_\_\_\_\_ **Music (11:27,28,31,43)**  
(Nehemiah 4:1-3)

• \_\_\_\_\_ **Music (11:27, 35,36)**

**3. Celebratory worship requires \_\_\_\_\_(12:44-47)**

*Through Jesus, therefore, let us continually offer to God a sacrifice of praise—the fruit of lips that openly profess his name. And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased. (Hebrews 12:15-16)*

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**DIGGING DEEPER**

(For use in personal/family devotions or with your Care group)

Q1: When you think of a “celebration” what special occasions or events in your life come to mind? What made those events a celebration?

Q2: The Lord laid out numerous festivals for His people to celebrate on an annual basis. What do the following verses teach you about what a Jewish celebration contained? Leviticus 23:33-43, Esther 9:17-22, Matthew 26:17-30.

Q3: Someone once said that when we keep the Sabbath “*we practise eternity in time.*” It has also been said that “*More than Israel has preserved the Sabbath, the Sabbath has preserved Israel.*” How might those statements influence your thinking regarding the importance of rest and celebration?

Q4: On a scale of 1-10, how well do you do at celebrating? What number might you give the average Christian? What unbiblical assumptions or thought patterns might wrongly influence our ability to celebrate God’s goodness?

Q5: Read II Samuel 24:18-25. What does this passage teach you about worship?

Q6: Read Psalm 150 and I Chronicles 16:1-7, 37-42. What do these verses teach you about the importance and role of instrumental worship?

Q7: If you were to plan a celebration for two weeks from now...what would you celebrate?...how would you celebrate?...what would the Lord think of your plans?