

SERMON NOTES

“The Construction of a People”

Nehemiah 9:1-5

6/10/18 – Pastor Doug Echols – Bethel Baptist Church

1. The Primacy of the Word of God (8:18; 9:3)

“But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.” James 1:22

2. Humility before Others (9:1)

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.” Matthew 5:3

3. Separation from the World (9:2)

“You shall be holy to me, for I the Lord am holy and have separated you from the peoples, that you should be mine.” Lev. 20:26

*“But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.”
1 Peter 2:9-10*

4. Honesty before God (9:2)

“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” 1 John 1:9

5. Adoration to the Lord (9:5)

“O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth will declare your praise. For you will not delight in sacrifice, or I would give it; you will not be pleased with a burnt offering. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.” Psalm 51:15-17