

Nehemiah 11:5

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And Maaseiah the son of Baruch, the son of Col-hozeh, the son of Hazaiah, the son of Adaiah, the son of Joiarib, the son of Zechariah, the son of Shiloni.

Analysis

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This verse within Nehemiah 11 addresses themes of sacrifice, community building, strategic living. Repopulating Jerusalem required sacrifice—willingness to leave comfortable situations to strengthen the covenant community. This passage demonstrates biblical principles applicable across both testaments—God's sovereignty combined with human responsibility, faith expressed through obedient action, and the necessity of both individual and corporate commitment to covenant faithfulness. Nehemiah models leadership that combines vision, prayer, courage, integrity, and perseverance amid sustained opposition.

Historical Context

Nehemiah's account occurs during Persian imperial dominance (539-331 BC), specifically 445-433 BC under Artaxerxes I. Nehemiah's final reforms address recurring covenant violations, demonstrating the ongoing challenge of maintaining spiritual commitment across generations. The Persian period was crucial transitional time when Jewish identity shifted from monarchical nationalism to Torah-centered covenantal community. Without political independence, the people's cohesion depended on shared scripture, temple worship, and covenant

obedience. This established patterns persisting through the Second Temple period into New Testament times. Understanding this context illuminates Jesus's ministry among a people shaped by these reforms and challenges.

Related Passages

John 3:16 — God's love and salvation

Romans 10:9 — Confession and belief for salvation

Hebrews 11:1 — Definition of faith

Romans 1:17 — The righteous shall live by faith

Study Questions

1. How does regular engagement with Scripture transform understanding of God and His will for your life?
2. What specific commitments do you need to make (or renew) regarding Bible reading, worship, and obedience?
3. How can the principles demonstrated in this passage inform your response to current challenges in your life or church?

Interlinear Text

וּמַעֲשֵׂי הַ	בֶּן	בָּר וּרְ	בֶּן	כָּל	חַ זֶה	בֶּן	חֲזִי הַ
And Maaseiah	the son	of Baruch	the son	H0	of Colhozeh	the son	of Hazaiah
H4641	H1121	H1263	H1121		H3626	H1121	H2382
בֶּן	עָדָי הַ	בֶּן	יֹיָרִיב	בֶּן	זְכַרְיָה הַ	בֶּן	הַשְּׁלֹנִי
the son	of Adaiah	the son	of Joiarib	the son	of Zechariah	the son	of Shiloni
H1121	H5718	H1121	H3114	H1121	H2148	H1121	H8023
