

# Nehemiah 7:6

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

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## Analysis

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This verse within Nehemiah 7 addresses themes of organization, genealogy, remembrance, continuity. With physical security established, Nehemiah organizes administration and records genealogies, showing continuity with God's promises. 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

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Nehemiah's account occurs during Persian imperial dominance (539-331 BC), specifically 445-433 BC under Artaxerxes I. The spiritual reforms under Ezra and Nehemiah shaped Judaism for centuries, establishing Scripture's centrality and patterns of worship continuing into the intertestamental period and beyond. 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**

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**Matthew 25:31** — Final judgment

**Revelation 20:12** — Judgment according to deeds

## **Study Questions**

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1. How does Nehemiah 7:6 deepen your understanding of God's character and His work in human history?
2. What specific action or attitude change does this verse call you to make in your walk with God?
3. How can the principles demonstrated in this passage inform your response to current challenges in your life or church?

## Interlinear Text

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אֵלֶּה	בְּנֵי י	הַמְּדִינָה ה	הָעֵלִים	מִשְׁבַּי	
H428	These are the children	of the province	that went up	out of the captivity	
	H1121	H4082	H5927	H7628	
	הַגּוֹלָה ה	אֲשֶׁר	הֶגְלָה ה	נְבוּכַדְנֶצַּר	
	of those that had been carried away	H834	had carried away	whom Nebuchadnezzar	
	H1473		H1540	H5019	
מֶלֶךְ	בָּבֶל	וַיָּשׁוּבּוּ	לִירוּשָׁלַם	וְלִיהוּדָה	אֵשׁ
the king	of Babylon	and came again	to Jerusalem	and to Judah	every one
H4428	H894	H7725	H3389	H3063	H376
					לְעִירוֹ:
					unto his city
					H5892

## Additional Cross-References

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**Ezra 5:8** (Kingdom): Be it known unto the king, that we went into the province of Judea, to the house of the great God, which is builded with great stones, and timber is laid in the walls, and this work goeth fast on, and prospereth in their hands.