



A TIME TO BUILD

# NEHEMIAH

**Chapter 10:1-39**

# VOWS

**Solemnly promise  
to do a specified thing**



# Vow I

**To Follow God's word  
(v. 28-29)**

# Vow 2

**To be different  
than the world  
(v. 30-31)**



# Vow 3

**To Support God's Work  
(v. 32-39)**

# PHYSICAL NEEDS

**“We assume the responsibility for carrying out the commands to give a third of a shekel each year for the service of the house of our God: for the bread set out on the table; for the regular grain offerings and burnt offerings; for the offerings on the Sabbaths, at the New Moon feasts and at the appointed festivals; for the holy offerings; for sin offerings to make atonement for Israel; and for all the duties of the house of our God.**

# SERVICE NEEDS

**“We—the priests, the Levites and the people—have cast lots to determine when each of our families is to bring to the house of our God at set times each year a contribution of wood to burn on the altar of the Lord our God, as it is written in the Law.**


# TO PUT GOD'S WORK FIRST

**“We also assume responsibility for bringing to the house of the Lord each year the firstfruits of our crops and of every fruit tree. “As it is also written in the Law, we will bring the firstborn of our sons and of our cattle, of our herds and of our flocks to the house of our God, to the priests ministering there.**



# HOLD NOTHING BACK

**“Moreover, we will bring to the storerooms of the house of our God, to the priests, the first of our ground meal, of our grain offerings, of the fruit of all our trees and of our new wine and olive oil. And we will bring a tithe of our crops to the Levites, for it is the Levites who collect the tithes in all the towns where we work. A priest descended from Aaron is to**



**accompany the Levites when they receive the tithes, and the Levites are to bring a tenth of the tithes up to the house of our God, to the storerooms of the treasury. The people of Israel, including the Levites, are to bring their contributions of grain, new wine and olive oil to the storerooms, where the articles for the sanctuary and for the ministering priests, the gatekeepers and the musicians are also kept.**

The image features a central rectangular area of light-colored, textured plaster. This central area is framed by a border of reddish-brown bricks, which are arranged in a traditional staggered pattern. The bricks are slightly irregular in color and texture, giving the border a rustic appearance. The overall composition is simple and focuses on the text centered within the plastered area.

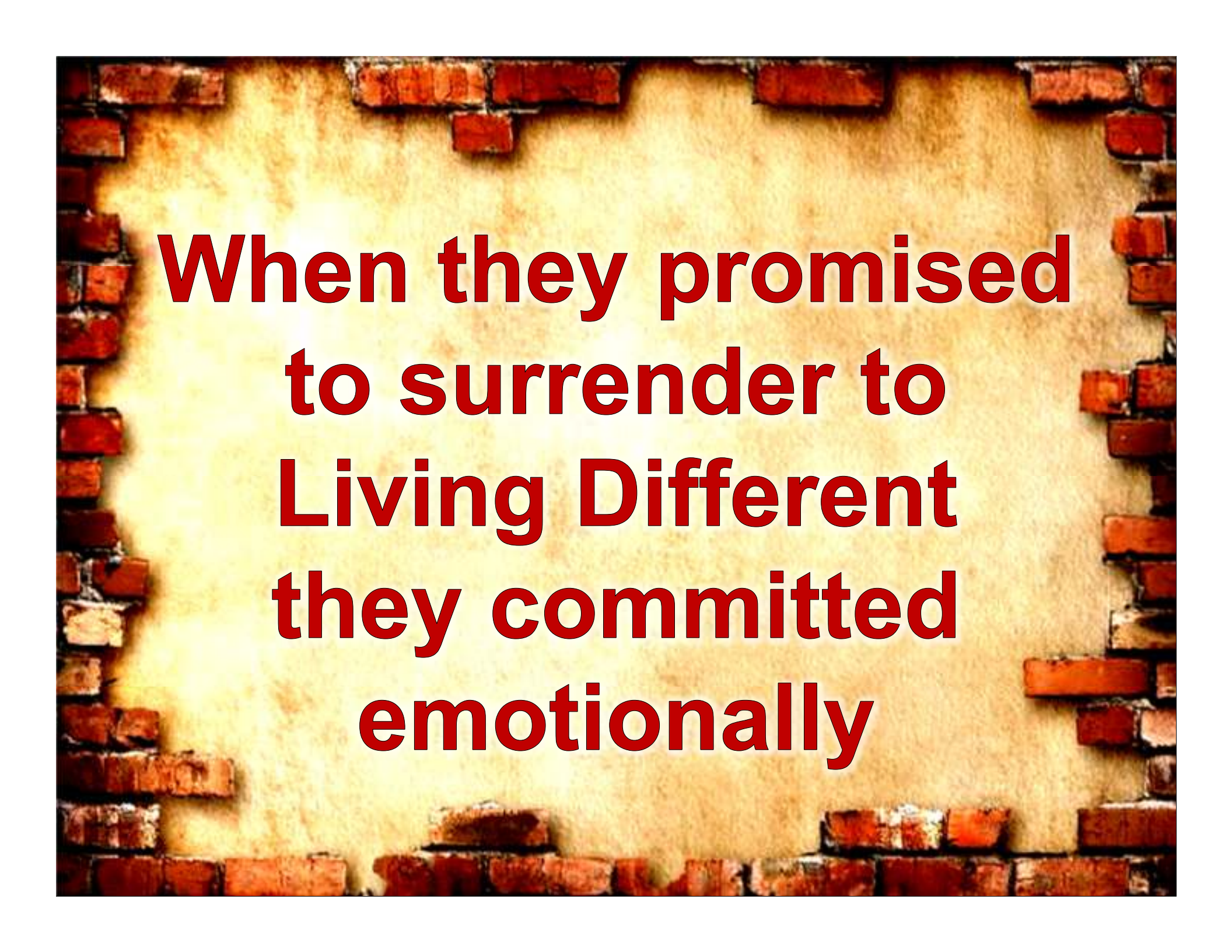
**NO MORE NEGLECT**  
**“We will not neglect  
the house of our God.”**

The image features a central text area with a light beige, textured background. This central area is framed by a border of red bricks, which are arranged in a pattern that suggests a wall with some missing or broken bricks, particularly at the corners and along the sides. The text is written in a large, red, serif font with a white outline and a subtle drop shadow, giving it a three-dimensional appearance. The text is centered and reads: THE  
IMPORTANCE  
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**When they promised  
to surrender to God's  
command they  
committed  
mentally**

The image features a textured background of a brick wall. The bricks are reddish-brown and arranged in a traditional pattern. A central rectangular area of the wall is covered in a light-colored, off-white or cream-colored plaster, which has a slightly mottled and aged appearance. The text is centered on this plastered area.

**When they promised  
to surrender to  
Living Different  
they committed  
emotionally**

The background of the image is a brick wall. The bricks are reddish-brown and arranged in a traditional pattern. The central area of the wall is a lighter, yellowish-tan color, possibly due to a different material or a shadow. The text is centered on this lighter area.

**When they  
surrendered their  
possessions they  
committed  
physically**



# LUKE 10:27

**He answered, “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind’; and, ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.””**





IT'S ALL  
OR  
NOTHING

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A Passion for God and Compassion for People