

The Willing Unknowns

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Series: REBUILD

Text: [Nehemiah 11](#)

I A LIST OF NAMES

In [Nehemiah 11](#), we see a list of names. Here's what we can learn from this chapter

A. Recognition

God is a God of recognition. (See [Hebrews 11](#), [Hebrews 13:7](#), [Malachi 3:16](#))

Everyone will stand before a judgment:

1. Some will stand at the **judgment seat of Christ**
2. Some will stand before the **Great White Throne Judgment**

There are degrees of reward – and degrees of punishment.

B. Roots

Read [Nehemiah 12:1](#)

We are not an island.

II. A LIST OF THE NAMELESS

Read [Matthew 6:1](#)

A. The **devotion** of the nameless

Read [Nehemiah 11:2](#) – “willingly offered themselves”

B. The **deeds** of the nameless

5 Specific groups who gave willingly

1. Those who willingly moved into the city ([Nehemiah 11:2](#))
2. Those who willingly worked within the temple (Read [Nehemiah 11:12](#))
3. Those who willingly took charge of the outside of the temple

4. Mattaniah who willingly led in prayer ([Nehemiah 11:17](#))

"Giving thanks for *former* mercies is a good way for begging for *further* mercies." – Matthew Henry

5. Those who willingly sang for the glory of God ([Nehemiah 11:22](#), [Ephesians 5:19-21](#))

C. The **desire** of the nameless

Read [1 Corinthians 1:27](#)

The desire of the nameless is God's glory

3 Facts to Remember

1. Your gifts make you **valuable** although not necessarily famous

2. Every labor you do in love is **remembered by God**

Read [Hebrews 6:10](#)

3. Our final rewards will be determined on the basis of **faithfulness** – not public applause