1. Renewing a Covenant with the LORD
   a) What is a covenant?
   b) Nehemiah 9:36-38 What was the setting for the renewing of a covenant with the LORD in the days of Ezra and Nehemiah?
   c) Why does Nehemiah include all the names of those who placed their seal on the written record of the covenant? (Nehemiah 10:1-27)
   d) Nehemiah 10:28-29 Why was it also important for “the rest of the people” to actively participate in the renewal of their covenant with the LORD?

2. Covenants in Sacred History
   a) With Adam (Genesis 3:15); With Noah (Genesis 9:11); With Abraham (Genesis 12:2-3); With Moses and Israel (Exodus 19:4-6); With Phineas (Numbers 25:10-13); With David (2 Samuel 7:5-16).
   b) What do all of these covenants have in common?
   c) Jeremiah 31:31-34 – What is different about the New Covenant?
      i) Reconciliation – “I will be their God”
      ii) Justification – “I will forgive their iniquity”
      iii) Sanctification – “I will write my law in their minds and write it on their hearts.”
   d) What are your thoughts about this covenant God desires to make with you?
   e) The Everlasting Covenant – What is the everlasting covenant the LORD desires to make with His people? Hebrews 13:20-21, Isaiah 55:3
   f) What can we learn from Joshua’s testimony recorded in Joshua 24:14-15?

3. Making promises to the LORD
   a) Nehemiah 10:30-39 What promises did the people in the days of Ezra and Nehemiah make as part of their renewed covenant with the LORD?
   b) What should we remember when we make promises to the LORD? Ecclesiastes 5:1-5
   c) What is the most important promise anyone can make to God?
   d) Share a time when you made a promise to God.
   e) What words of Scripture give us hope when we fail to keep our promises to the LORD?

4. Caring for the House of the LORD
   a) Nehemiah 10:39 Why was it important to care for the House of the LORD?
   b) What is the application for our lives today?
   c) What blessings come when we give generously to the work of God?
   d) Share a time when you were blessed as you gave sacrificially for the work of God.