

September 18

- a. Rebuilding the Wall that was about 2½ miles long, 40 feet high, and 8 feet thick. Nehemiah 3:1-32
- b. Tekoa people could not be supervised; goldsmiths, perfumers, and daughters worked. Nehemiah 3:5-12
- c. A lot of people worked on the wall close to their living quarters. Nehemiah 3:10-32
- d. Israel's enemies, Sanballat and Tobiah, were angry over the wall rebuilding. Nehemiah 4:1-3
- e. When the wall was half completed, Israel's enemies threatened, and Israel complained. Nehemiah 4:4-12
- f. Israel wanted to quit but Nehemiah encouraged them. Some were guards, some worked. Nehemiah 4:13-23
- g. Workers oppressed over borrowed money and mortgaged fields; angered Nehemiah. Nehemiah 5:1-8
- h. He told the lenders it was wrong and to stop charging interest. They agreed to stop. Nehemiah 5:9-13
- i. As the wall was finished, Sanballat kept trying to trick Nehemiah away to kill him. Nehemiah 6:1-14
- j. The wall was finished, with the help of God, just 52 days after they began to work. Nehemiah 6:15-16
- k. Tobias kept sending threatening letters to Nehemiah to intimidate him. Nehemiah 6:17-19
- l. Nehemiah gave the responsibility of governing Jerusalem to his brother Hanani. Nehemiah 7:1-3

September 19

- a. Nehemiah found the record of exiled leaders and families who returned to Judah. Nehemiah 7:4-59
- b. 392 Solomon's descendants and Temple servants. 642 could not prove their nationality. Nehemiah 7:60-62
- c. 42,360 people returned to Judah, 7337 servants, 245 men and women singers. Nehemiah 7:63-72
- d. Mostly priests, Levites, gatekeepers, singers, and Temple servants settles in Jerusalem. Nehemiah 7:73
- e. The people assembled outside the Water Gate with a single purpose of hearing the Book. Nehemiah 8:1
- f. Ezra read the Book of the Law of Moses from early morning until noon to everyone who could understand. Nehemiah 8:2-3
- g. Ezra stood on a high platform. He opened the book, all rose, bowed, and worshipped. Nehemiah 8:4-6
- h. The Levites read from the book; instructing and explaining the meaning. Nehemiah 8:7-8
- i. The people wept but the leaders stopped them saying it was a day of celebration. Nehemiah 8:9-10a
- j. "Don't be dejected and sad, for the joy of the Lord is your strength." Nehemiah 8:10b

September 20

- a. In October, the Israelites were supposed to live in shelters made from tree branches. Nehemiah 8:13-15
- b. The Festival of Shelters was celebrated like they had not celebrated since Joshua's day. Nehemiah 8:17
- c. The Israelites confessed sins for 3 hours, the Book was read, confessed 3 more hours. Nehemiah 9:1-4
- d. The leaders prayed from the beginning of creation to present day slaves. Nehemiah 9:5-38
- e. They ratified, signed, and sealed a document cursing them if they failed to obey it. Nehemiah 10:1-29
- f. The people promised not to marry the pagan people of the land. Nehemiah 10:30
- g. They promised to keep the Sabbath holy and to give the land a seventh year rest. Nehemiah 10:31
- h. They promised to pay the annual Temple tax. Nehemiah 10:32
- i. They promised to give the first part of every harvest to the Lord's Temple every year. Nehemiah 10:35
- j. They promised not to neglect the Temple of our God. Nehemiah 10:39

September 21

- a. The leaders plus 10% of the people were chosen by sacred lots to live in Jerusalem. Nehemiah 11:1-2
- b. The other priests, Levites, and Israelites lived wherever their family inheritance was. Nehemiah 11:20
- c. The history of the priests and Levites. The leaders in the days of Jeshua. Nehemiah 12:1-26
- d. The people of Judah were exiled to Babylon for unfaithfulness to the Lord. 1 Chron. 9:1b
- e. 1,760 priests, Levites, and Temple servants were the first to return to Jerusalem. 1 Chron. 9:2-13
- f. The names of the returning Levites. 1 Chron. 9:14-16
- g. The names of the gatekeepers. 1 Chron. 9:17-21
- h. 221 gatekeepers listed according to their genealogies. 1 Chron. 9:22-27
- i. Some of the gatekeepers were assigned to care for the various articles used in worship. 1 Chron. 9:28

September 22

- a. The Levites had two big choirs to give thanks at the dedication of Jerusalem's Wall. Nehemiah 12:27-43
- b. Men were appointed to be in charge of the offering storerooms for the beloved priests. Nehemiah 12:44-47
- c. Supervisor Eliashib, the priest, had given Nehemiah's enemy Tobiah a large storeroom. Nehemiah 13:4-6
- d. Nehemiah was governor for 12 years; refused his food allowance and worked on the wall. Nehemiah 5:14-19
- e. Back in Jerusalem, Nehemiah found out about Tobiah's room and kicked him out. Nehemiah 13:7-9
- f. He fixed other issues, assigned supervisors, and stopped work on the Sabbath. Nehemiah 13:10-22
- g. Nehemiah called curses down and beat some men who had married pagan people. Nehemiah 13:23-27
- h. A son of the priest Joiada married a daughter of Sanballat. Nehemiah banished him. Nehemiah 13:28
- i. The prophecy of Malachi. "I have always loved you," says the Lord. Malachi 1:1-5
- j. You have shown contempt for my name by offering defiled sacrifices on my altar. Malachi 1:6-14
- k. Listen, you priests – this command is for you! Make up your minds to honor my name. Malachi 2:1
- l. The people should go to the priests for instruction. The priest is the Lord's messenger. Malachi 2:5-9

September 23

- a. The men of Judah have defiled the Lord's sanctuary by marrying idol worshippers. Malachi 2:10-12
- b. Look! I am sending my messenger and he will prepare the way before me. Malachi 3:1
- c. I am the Lord. I do not change. You have cheated me of my tithes and offerings. Malachi 3:6-9
- d. Bring the tithes into the storehouse. I will pour you out a blessing you cannot take in. Malachi 3:10-15
- e. They will be my people. The day of judgment is coming. Sun of Righteousness will rise. Malachi 3:16-4:3
- f. I am sending you the prophet Elijah before the Lord (John the Baptist - Matthew 17:12-13). Malachi 4:4-6
- g. Joel's prophecy starts with the people mourning over the locust plague. Joel 1:1-20
- h. The day of the Lord is upon us. It is an awesome, terrible thing. Who can survive? Joel 2:1-11
- i. Turn to me now while there is time. Give me your hearts. Come fasting and weeping. Joel 2:12-17
- j. With pity the Lord will send you grain, wine, & olive oil. You will get back what you lost. Joel 2:18-27
- k. I will pour out my Spirit upon all people. Your sons & daughters will prophecy (Acts 2:17). Joel 2:28
- l. Judgement against enemy nations. In the valley of decision, the Lord's voice will roar. Joel 3:1-16
- m. A fountain will burst forth from the Lord's Temple (Jesus - rivers of living water, John 7). Joel 3:17-21

September 24

- a. This is the Good News about Jesus the Messiah, the Son of God. Mark 1:1a
- b. Luke decided to write an accurate account for you, most honorable Theophilus. Luke 1:1-4
- c. In the beginning was the Word. The Word was with God, and the Word was God. John 1:1
- d. The law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. John 1:17
- e. Matthew's ancestry of Jesus is through Joseph: Abraham, David, and Zerubbabel. Matthew 1:1-17
- f. Zerubbabel was called the Lord's signet ring (Haggai 2:23). Matthew 1:12-13
- g. Luke's ancestry of Jesus is through Mary: Adam, Abraham, David. Ad Zerubbabel. Luke 3:23b-38
- h. Gabriel tells Zechariah that he and Elizabeth will have a son named John (the Baptist). Luke 1:11-16
- i. He will be a man with the spirit and power of Elijah, preparing the people for the Lord. Luke 1:17
- j. Because Zechariah did not believe he could not speak until John was born. Luke 1:18-20
- k. Six months later, the angel Gabriel tells Virgin Mary she will have a baby and to name him Jesus. Luke 1:26-33
- l. The Holy Spirit will come upon you, the baby will be holy, called the Son of God. Luke 1:34-36
- m. For the Word of God will never fail. Mary replied, "Let everything about me come true." Luke 1:37-38