QUESTIONS FOR ADDITIONAL STUDY

1. Tell your story. Describe a time when you someone deceived you.

 How did you find out about the deception? What did you do once

 you became aware of it?

2. What are some ways you can guard against spiritual deception?

3. Read the following passages and note what the Scripture says about

 deception:

 a) Deuteronomy 11:16

b) Proverbs 10:9

c) Proverbs 12:22

 d) Galatians 6:7-8

 e) Colossians 3:9

 f) James 1:22

g) I John 4:1

4. How did Nehemiah know Shemaiah was a false prophet?

5. What practical application are you going to make from this week’s

 message? (*Share your decision with another person*.)

* I am going to find a Bible reading plan that works with my schedule and begin reading through the New Testament.
* I am going to examine my heart for any areas where I may be deceiving others by my words or actions.
* I am going to memorize I John 4:1.

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Nehemiah 6:10-14 Study Series #13

***Opposition through Deception***

**I. Introduction**

 A. The Gorilla and the Lion

 B. Deception

(See Deuteronomy 5:27; Nehemiah 6:12)

 C. The Believer and Adversity

 (See Job 4:7; Luke 9:1-3)

**II. Opposition Through Deception**

 A. Shemaiah’s Prophecy Concerning Nehemiah

 (See Nehemiah 6:10; Nehemiah 10:8; Nehemiah 12:42;

 I Kings 22:1-29; Exodus 21:12-14; I Kings 1:50-53;

 I Kings 2:28; Proverbs 3:5-7; James 1:5)

 B. Nehemiah’s Response

 (See Nehemiah 10:11; Nehemiah 1:2; Nehemiah 1:4-11;

 Nehemiah 2:4-8; Nehemiah 2:12-18; Nehemiah 5:14-19;

 Numbers 3:38; Hebrews 9:6-7; Numbers 18:7;

 II Chronicles 26:16-21; Deuteronomy 13:1-5;

 Deuteronomy 18:20-22; Isaiah 8:20; Acts 17:11;

 Matthew 4:5-6; Luke 4:9-11)

 C. Nehemiah’s Perception

 (See Nehemiah 6:12-13; Proverbs 29:25; Matthew 10:28;

 Genesis 3:10; Genesis 20:10-11; Genesis 38:11;

 Numbers 14:3-4; Genesis 50:20; Deuteronomy 7:1-2;

 Joshua 9:14; Joshua 9:3-19; Numbers 23:19)

 D. Nehemiah’s Prayer

 (See Nehemiah 6:14; Nehemiah 5:19)

**III. Conclusion**

 (See Isaiah 55:9)

If you would like to know more about what it means to be a Christian, or if you would like to talk with someone or have someone pray for you, please contact the church office and the pastor will contact you.

**Passage of Study**

Nehemiah 6:10-14

**10**When I entered the house of Shemaiah the son of Delaiah, son of Mehetabel, who was confined at home, he said, “Let us meet together in the house of God, within the temple, and let us close the doors of the temple, for they are coming to kill you, and they are coming to kill you at night.”

**11**But I said, “Should a man like me flee? And could one such as I go into the temple to save his life? I will not go in.”

**12**Then I perceived that surely God had not sent him, but he uttered *his* prophecy against me because Tobiah and Sanballat had hired him. **13**He was hired for this reason, that I might become frightened and act accordingly and sin, so that they might have an evil report in order that they could reproach me.

**14**Remember, O my God, Tobiah and Sanballat according to these works of theirs, and also Noadiah the prophetess and the rest of the prophets who were *trying* to frighten me.

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