Nehemiah 9 – You ARE!

Study Guide – Reference Verses

A Promise Prayed

2 Chronicles 7:14-15 if my people who are called by my name humble themselves, and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land. Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to the prayer that is made in this place.

Goodness of God

Romans 2:4 Or do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance?

Creator God

Colossians 1:16-17 For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.

John 1:3 All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made.

Truth

John 1:1, 14 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. (14) And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

New Covenant

Jeremiah 31:31-34 Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and with the house of Judah not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day *that* I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt, My covenant which they broke, though I was a husband to them, says the Lord. But this *is* the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put My law in their minds, and write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. No more shall every man teach his neighbor, and every man his brother, saying, 'Know the Lord,' for they all shall know Me, from the least of them to the greatest of them, says the Lord. For I will forgive their iniquity, and their sin I will remember no more."

Discussion Questions:

1. **Why do all the people assemble with fasting, in sackcloth, with dirt on their heads? What attitude is at the heart of these actions/postures?**

2. **Have you ever fasted? What was your experience like?**

3. **What happens when you read/listen to God's Word? What is confession of sin? Why is it necessary? What about worship, what is worship? How do these things go together?**

4. **What do we learn in Nehemiah chapter 9 about the Lord? Identity all the other "You ARE" statements that are made in this chapter.**

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