Nehemiah 1-6 Reconstruction of the Wall

Nehemiah 7-13 Reinstruction of the People

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¹And all the people gathered as one man into the square before the Water Gate. And they told Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses that the LORD had commanded Israel. ²So Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could understand what they heard, on the first day of the seventh month.

³And he read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand. And the ears of all the people were attentive to the Book of the Law.

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⁴And Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden platform that they had made for the purpose. And beside him stood Mattithiah, Shema, Anaiah, Uriah, Hilkiah, and Maaseiah on his right hand, and Pedaiah, Mishael, Malchijah, Hashum, Hashbaddanah, Zechariah, and Meshullam on his left hand. ⁵And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was above all the people, and as he opened it all the people stood.

⁶And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. And they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground.

⁷Also Jeshua, Bani, Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodiah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah, the Levites, helped the people to understand the Law, while the people remained in their places.

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⁸They read from the book, from the Law of God, clearly, and they gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

⁹And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep."

For all the people wept as they heard the words of the Law.

10Then he said to them, "Go your way. Eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready, for this day is holy to our Lord. And do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength." 11So the Levites calmed all the people, saying, "Be quiet, for this day is holy; do not be grieved." 12And all the people went their way to eat and drink and to send portions and to make great rejoicing, because they had understood the words that were declared to them. —Nehemiah 8:1-12 ESV

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No Bible, No Revival!

Takeaway for Today: God must do a work in us in order to do a work through us.

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Response: God works in us through His Word and through His Spirit.

How Do You Build a Word-Driven Life?

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Welcome the Hearing of God's Word

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"The primary task of the church and the Christian minister is to the preaching of the Word of God...
The decadent periods and eras in the history of the church have always been those periods when preaching had declined."

—D. Martyn Lloyd-Jones

The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever.

—Isaiah 40:8 ESV

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¹⁶All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, ¹⁷that the man of God may be competent, equipped for every good work. —2 Timothy 3:16-17 ESV

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Observe the Depth of God's Wisdom

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"To get the full flavor of an herb, it must be pressed between the fingers, so it is the same with the Scriptures; the more familiar they become, the more they reveal their hidden treasures and yield their indescribable riches."

—John Chrysostom, A.D. 347-407

They read from the book... clearly, and they gave the sense...—Nehemiah 8:8 Esv

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Observe the Depth of God's Wisdom Read It Through

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- Is there a promise to claim?
- Is there a lesson to learn?
- Is there a blessing to enjoy?
- Is there a command to obey?
- Is there a sin to avoid?
- Is there a new insight to carry with me today?

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Think It Clear

Write It Down

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For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and of marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

—Hebrews 4:12 ESV

Observe the Depth of God's Wisdom

Pray It In

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²¹Therefore put away all filthiness and rampant wickedness and receive with meekness the implanted word, which is able to save your souls. ²²But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.

—James 1:21-22 ESV

Observe the Depth of God's Wisdom

Live It Out

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Observe the Depth of God's Wisdom

Pass It On

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Realign Your Life With God's Truth

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²So Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could understand what they heard, on the first day of the seventh month... ¹⁴And they found it written in the Law that the LORD had commanded by Moses that the people of Israel should dwell in booths during the feast of the seventh month...

—Nehemiah 8:2, 14 ESV

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Delight in the Strength of

God's Promises

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...for the joy of the LORD is your strength. —Nehemiah 8:10b esv

The unfolding of your words gives light; it imparts understanding to the simple.

—Psalm 119:130 ESV

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Your testimonies are my delight; they are my counselors. —Psalm 119:24 ESV

"Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ." — Jerome, A.D. 340-420

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Welcome the Hearing of God's Word Observe the Depth of God's Wisdom Realign Your Life With God's Truth Delight in the Strength of God's Promises

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