

Message Notes

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HIS STORY OUR STORY
Return (2 Chron 36:22-23; Ezra 3)
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◆The people _____ from exile with high _____ of glory.

Unmet Expectations

◆Only a small _____ returns to Jerusalem. (Is 10:22; Ez 2:64)

◆*Ezra* works to rebuild the _____ & establish proper _____.

◆*Nehemiah* works to rebuild the _____ & lead religious _____.

◆*Haggai, Zechariah & Malachi* all _____ to something _____.

◆So _____ are left _____ & God's Story seems to _____.

Digging Deeper—Ezra 3

◆In _____ they _____ to _____ the Temple. (Ez 3:1)

◆They do not let _____ keep them from _____. (Ez 3:3)

But many of the older priests and Levites and family heads, who had seen the former temple, wept aloud when they saw the foundation of this temple being laid, while many others shouted for joy. **Ezra 3:12**

◆God has _____ in mind than a physical _____. (Mal 3:1; Jn 2:19)

◆The _____ of God returns in _____, who is the new _____.

Living as the Remnant Today

◆God's still looking for a _____ who will remain _____ today.

① We must _____ together in _____ as God's people. (Jn 17:20-26)

② We can't let _____ keep us from _____. (1 Pet 3:14-15; 5:9)

③ We continue the work of _____ God's _____. (Mt 28:19)

④ We can _____ that one day all our _____ will be met!

◆Will we remain _____ as we _____ for Christ's _____?