

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Sunday, September 13, 2020
Ezra 7:1-8:36

Suggested Additional Study Reading: The book of Malachi

1. What happened in Wednesday's Bible Study in Ezra 4?
 - a. There was continued opposition.
 - b. The people pointed out Israel's history of rebellion against occupying nations.
 - c. The king ordered the work to be stopped in the building of the walls of the city.

2. What is significant about Ezra 7:1-5?
 - a. Son of...what?
 - b. Everyone, especially the priests, who came back from exile traced their lineage back. Ezra is here declared to be a descendant of Aaron the chief priest (brother of Moses)

3. What happens at the beginning of Ezra 7:6? _____

4. Who was Ezra?
 - a. He was in the line of Aaron the high priest.
 - b. He was a teacher well versed in the Law of Moses.
 - c. The hand of the Lord his God was on him.
 - d. A man who had favor with the king.
 - e. He devoted himself to the study and observance of the Law of the Lord.

5. According to 7:9, how long did it take for Ezra to get there? _____

6. According to 7:11-8:14, who did Ezra come alone? Yes_____ No_____ Explain. _____

7. What, according to verse 7:25-26, does the king ask Ezra to do?
 - a. Appoint magistrates and judges to administer justice to all the people of Trans-Euphrates – all who know the laws of your God.
 - b. You are to teach all who don't know the laws of your God.
 - c. You are to punish those who do not obey the law of your God.

8. How does this compare with what was happening in our last study? _____

9. What did Ezra do in 8:21?
 - a. Planned the journey.
 - b. Proclaimed a fast.
 - c. Humbled himself and his people and prayed for a safe journey.
 - d. Asked the king for protection.
 - e. Prayed for protection.What do you do at the beginning of a major undertaking? _____

10. What did Ezra and the people do when they arrived in Jerusalem, according to verse 8:35?
_____What do you do when God is faithful and answers your prayer? _____