Nehemiah

Part 10 – Chapters 8-9

Post Wall Challenges and Blessings

* The reading of the Law (8:1-8)
  + The seventh month (7:73b) is Tishri (Sept/Oct), 445 BC (less than one week after the wall was completed on Elul 25 – 6:15)
  + The people ask (8:1)
  + Ezra brings the book of the Law (8:2)
  + All people gathered (men, women, children), stood, and listened \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (8:2, 3, 5)
  + Ezra read from dawn to midday (8:3)
  + As he read, men \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ the text to the people (8:8)
* The people respond (8:9-12)
  + How did the people respond?
  + This day is “holy to the Lord your God” (v. 9) Which day was it?
  + \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_… do not grieve (vv. 10-12)
* The Feast of Booths (8:13-18)
  + Spiritual \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (v. 13, cf. Deut. 6:6ff)
  + The Feast of Booths (v. 14, Lev. 23:34-44, Deut. 16:13-15)
  + How did they respond (vv. 15-17)
  + What was the significance? (v. 17b)
  + Celebrating the feast (v. 18)
* After the feast (9:1-3)
  + Time to grieve (v. 1)
  + Time to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (v. 2)
  + Time to read, confess, and worship (v. 3)
* Insights on leadership
  + Leaders and their \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ with the Word of God
    - Wanting
    - Listening
    - Responding
    - Confessing
    - Worshipping
    - Obeying