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