

Having A Basic Understanding of Some Old Testament Truths

Part 72 – Cyrus Allows Temple Reconstruction Through The Letter Sent to Darius (Ezra 1-5)

1. Who aided Cyrus in his decision to see that the house of the Lord was rebuilt?
2. How did Cyrus seek to find those who would build the Lord's house?
3. Who decided to carry out the instructions given by Cyrus?
4. How did the children of Israel get the vessels of the house of the LORD, which Nebuchadnezzar had brought forth out of Jerusalem?
5. Were the people of Judah now free from Babylonian captivity and able to return to Jerusalem?
6. Who was "put from the priesthood"?
7. What was the number of the whole congregation returning home besides servants, etc.?
8. Did some give their abilities as an offering to rebuild God's house?
9. What standard was used in the burnt offerings upon the altar to the Lord?
10. At this point in time, did God's people fear the people of the countries around them?
11. Did God's people want to continue in burnt offerings, feasts, and freewill offerings to God?
12. Though the people of the Lord were doing a lot of good things, what is the "but" that exists?
13. When are Levities appointed to set forward the work of the house of the Lord?
14. Was there joy when the work started on the temple?

15. What occurred when the adversaries of Judah and Benjamin heard the temple of God was being built?

16. What was said in the letter to Artaxerxes?

17. What response was made to the letter written to Artaxerxes?

18. What did Rehum, and Shimshai the scribe, and their companions do in reaction to the letter?

19. Did Judah and Benjamin keep building the temple against the will of their adversaries?

20. What did it take to get Judah and Benjamin to do what was right?

21. What happens as reconstruction of the temple begins again?

22. Why didn't the elders of the Jews command the building to cease?

23. Who wrote unto Darius questioning the authority behind the reconstruction of the temple?

24. What are some key things that were said in the letter sent to Darius?