

## **Having A Basic Understanding of Some Old Testament Truths**

### *Part 73 – Darius Makes A Decree Through Putting Away Their Strange Wives (Ezra 6-10)*

1. As we closed chapter five, Tatnai and his companions the Apharsachites wrote Darius requesting him to investigate whether or not Cyrus had authorized the rebuilding of the temple. Did Darius look into this matter as we begin chapter six?
2. What was written in the roll that was found in the palace at Achmetha?
3. What did Darius write unto Tatnai and his companions the Apharsachites?
4. Did the letter from Darius help or hinder the building of the temple?
5. What happened at the dedication of the house of God?
6. What standard was used to determine how to set the priests in their divisions, and the Levites in their courses?
7. As we near the close of chapter six, what can we tell about the children of Israel?
8. Whose heart did the Lord turn to the children of Israel?
9. Was Ezra ignorant to the will of God?
10. What do we know about Ezra's heart?
11. Did king Artaxerxes want to prevent the children of Israel from serving God?
12. What strengthened Ezra?
13. When Ezra sent for ministers for the house of our God, were they ignorant of God's will?
14. Why did Ezra proclaim a fast at the river of Ahava?

15. Why did Ezra separate twelve of the chief of the priests, Sherebiah, Hashabiah, and ten of their brethren with them?
16. Did the children of Israel have any enemies at this time?
17. Was there any accounting process for the silver and gold vessels?
18. What occurred to have Ezra pluck off the hair from his head and beard?
19. What caused Ezra and those assembled with him to tremble?
20. Was Ezra comfortable with the situation the children of Israel had found themselves in?
21. How far back does Ezra say the errors of Israel had gone?
22. Was it the deeds of the people or the grace of God that had given them a chance of repentance?
23. What significant lessons can we learn from Ezra 9:10-15?
24. What covenant was made after Ezra's prayer and confession to God?
25. What was Ezra's mindset when he went into the chamber of Johanan the son of Eliashi?
26. What would happen if someone did not come to Jerusalem as the proclamation stated?
27. What was the setting when the people came to Jerusalem?
28. What message did Ezra deliver unto the people who gathered in Jerusalem?
29. Was the response to Ezra's message positive or negative?