

DISCIPLE'S QUEST

*IF YOU CONTINUE IN MY WORD, THEN YOU ARE
TRULY DISCIPLES OF MINE.
JOHN 8:31*

RESTORATION STUDIES IN EZRA AND NEHEMIAH HARDWARE

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Restoration Hardware, Part 4
Construction Zone
Ezra 3

Main Idea:

God works through the faithfulness of His people to bless them, and to accomplish His will.

Outline:

The remnant who returned to Jerusalem to build the temple did five things that God blessed.

1. They DECIDED to heed and follow His call.
2. The UNITED for the purpose of doing His will.
 4. Requirements for achieving unity:
 - love
 - truth
 - resolve
 - common purpose
3. The WORSHIPED God
 - Worship was their priority
 - Worship was their ongoing practice
4. They LABORED together to accomplish their mission
5. They PRAISED God for His lovingkindness

Questions for further contemplation and application after the message:

#1 Why do you think some of the captives were inclined to want to stay behind in Babylon?

In the message, the point was made that in order to be used by God and to reap the attendant blessings, you must take the step of "deciding to heed His call to action and report for duty." Do you agree? Why or why not?

#2 What kind of love is the basis for unity among believers?

Why does unity among God's people demand shared doctrinal fidelity?

#3 Does the Christian have any greater priority than worship? Why or why not?

#4 How does worship overcome fear?

#5 What are some of the benefits of laboring together for the gospel alongside other believers?