

Time To Turn

Text: Nehemiah 9:1-3

Now in the twenty and fourth day of this month the children of Israel were assembled with fasting, and with sackclothes, and earth upon them. And the seed of Israel separated themselves from all strangers, and stood and confessed their sins, and the iniquities of their fathers. And they stood up in their place, and read in the book of the law of the LORD their God one fourth part of the day; and another fourth part they confessed, and worshipped the LORD their God.

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Introduction: _____

2 Chronicles 7:14-15 If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. Now mine eyes shall be open, and mine ears attent unto the prayer that is made in this place.

Quote: George Santayana – "Those who do not remember the past are condemned to relive it."

Quote: Aldous Huxley – "That men do not learn very much from the lessons of history is the most important of all the lessons that history has to teach."

I. The ______ of God. vs. 1-6

Quote: A. W. Tozer - "The essence of idolatry is the entertainment of thoughts about God that are unworthy of Him"

- Great Kindness (vs. 17)
- Great Mercy (vs. 31)
- Great Goodness (vs. 25, 35)
- Great Provocations (vs. 18, 26)

II. The ______ of God. vs. 7-30

1 Timothy 6:17 Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy;

- God gave Israel a land (vs. 8, 15, 35)
- God gave Israel a law (vs. 13)

- God gave Israel the ministry of the Spirit (vs. 20)
- God gave Israel food and water (vs. 15, 20)
- God gave Israel deliverers (vs. 27)
- God gave Israel victory over their enemies (vs. 22, 24)

Psalm 94:12-15 Blessed is the man whom thou chastenest, O LORD, and teachest him out of thy law; That thou mayest give him rest from the days of adversity, until the pit be digged for the wicked. For the LORD will not cast off his people, neither will he forsake his inheritance. But judgment shall return unto righteousness: and all the upright in heart shall follow it.

III. The _____ of God. vs.31-38

- He is a compassionate God (vs. 9)
- He is a pardoning God (vs. 17-19, 31)
- He is a long-suffering God (vs. 21, 30)
- He is a generous God (vs. 24-25, 35)

1 Corinthians 7:22-24 For he that is called in the Lord, being a servant, is the Lord's freeman: likewise also he that is called, being free, is Christ's servant. Ye are bought with a price; be not ye the servants of men. Brethren, let every man, wherein he is called, therein abide with God.

Conclusion: _____