

Ezra

RESTORATION

Let's Celebrate!

Ezra 6:16-22

May 21, 2023

In our passage today we're going back to the Passover, which is one of the most important traditions in Israelite's history. Today we follow up on the completion of the temple and see what the returned exiles do to celebrate its completion. In large part they go back to their roots. The exiles were brought back to faith as being essential. We must do the same!



WAYPOINT
CHURCH

Know Where You're Going.

Order Of Worship

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship

Psalm 95:1-3

Songs of Praise

Speak, O Lord

My Heart Is Yours

Confession of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended to heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.*

Offering and Prayer

Song of Declaration

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Confession of Sin

Lord Jesus, I sin — Grant that I may never cease grieving because of it, never be content with myself, never think I can reach , a point of perfection. Kill my envy, command my tongue, trample down self. Give me grace to be holy, kind, gentle, pure, peaceable, to live for thee and not for self, to be transformed into thy likeness, to live entirely to thy glory. Deliver me from attachment to things unclean, from wrong associations, from the predominance of evil passions, from the sugar of sin as well as its gall, that with self loathing, deep contrition, earnest heart searching I may come to you, trust in you, cry to you, and be delivered by you.

Assurance of Pardon

Titus 3:4-7

Children's Message

Sermon

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Pastor James Brignac

Song of Response

King of Kings

Benediction

Sermon Notes

Covenantal

What is the significance of the 12 goats? What about Deuteronomy 7:9?

Ezra 6:17

What was the sin offering and why does it matter?

Leviticus 4:13-21

What is our standing outside of Christ? In Christ?

Ephesians 2:1-3

Hebrews 9:22

Renewal

What is significant about this Passover celebration?

Deuteronomy 16:1-8

Ezra 6:22

What is the background of Passover (Exodus 12:1-30)?

How does Passover fit within the story of redemption?

Encompassing

Who was included in the people of God in the Old Testament?

Ezra 6:21

Why is Passover/Communion only for believers?

What ties all believers together?

*...repentance and faith are the two wings of a bird whereby we fly into heaven. – **Thomas Watson***

Announcements



Celebration – May 27 at 6:00 PM
Service – May 28 at 10:30 AM



August 18-19, 2023
Ponte Vedra Presbyterian Church
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Save the dates!
August 18-19, 2023



Sundays - 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM
At Waypoint Church



Every Friday at 8:00 AM
via Zoom meeting



Summer Bible Study
Wednesdays in June, 10-11:30 AM



Multiple groups are available.
Contact Pastor James to get connected

Discussion Questions

1. Why is it essential to understand the bad news (sin) to truly grasp the good news (grace)?
2. Read Ephesians 2:1-3. What do we learn in this passage? Is this a message heard often in the church today?
3. Would it be difficult for you if you could not participate in worship regularly? Communion? Why or why not?
4. We noted the sacrificial system pointed forward to Jesus and his final sacrifice. What other Old Testament stories or patterns point forward to Jesus?
5. Faith is turning away from sin and turning towards Jesus. Do you find one of these more difficult than the other?
6. What makes the church different from other groups, clubs, or organizations?