

Holiness in a Crumbled Culture

“Providence and Restoration”

Ezra 1

It is easy today—far too easy—to settle into a comfortable, routine Christianity, where our souls no longer thirst for God “in a dry and weary land where there is no water” (Ps. 63:1). Hearts grow dull and our vision of God is gradually blurred. What we need (and what our culture needs) is personal, church, and national spiritual renewal. Where to begin?

1. Providence: Promise-Keeping God (vv.1-4)

2. Restoration: Participating People (vv.5-11)