



**February 8th, 2026** "God's wisdom for building"

-LOVE GOD—LOVE PEOPLE—SERVE THE WORLD-

**Word for 2026**—The God of Heaven will help us succeed and we His servants will start rebuilding!

**To build anything, we must allow God build us and as He does that, we are equipped to build anything that would bring Him glory.**

**Psalms 127:1**

"The book of Ezra and Nehemiah shows us an important progression, worship had to be restored first in the land and hearts of the people before the gates and walls of Jerusalem were built.

Reading through the book of Ezra and how the Jews rebuilt the temple, we see in some ways, the story of salvation and how God is rebuilding His church.

## **REBUILDING OF THE TEMPLE MIRRORS HOW GOD IS REBUILDING HIS CHURCH**

### **1. The Altar.**

The cross is the altar and Jesus is the sacrifice.

**Ezra 3:2, Hebrews 10:12-14**

### **2. The Foundation of the Temple.**

Christ is the chief cornerstone, He is the firm foundation.

**Ezra 3:10, Psalms 118:22, Acts 4:11**

### **3. The Blueprint.**

Jesus is the blueprint of every believer's life.

**Ephesians 4:11-13**

### **4. The Resistance. (Resilience of the Jews)**

**Ezra 4:1-5, Matthew 16:18**

The Jews were very resilient and even today as we face many adversities, we can be strong in the Lord knowing that His promises are sure.

### **5. Unity of Purpose.**

**Amos 3:3**