

Group Questions – Week 2: EZRA

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Getting to Know Me Questions:

- What was something you were taught or told you had to do because it would always be that way? For example, ‘you need to learn long division, because you won’t always have a calculator with you.’
- Open an internet browser and search “dumb laws”. Open the link for “The Law Dictionary” site. Read some of the dumb laws that still exist. Which is the silliest or weirdest to you?

Into the Bible Questions:

- What’s something from this week’s teaching that you learned, stood out, was interesting?
- What do you think about this story in Ezra?
- What do we learn that’s good about Ezra? Why is he important to the Israelite story?
- **READ:** Ezra 7:8-10
- This describes Ezra’s mission. What was important about Ezra’s mission?
- Ezra had a clear mission and purpose. Do you have or have you ever had this type of mission that you would go to any length to accomplish it? What was it?
- Several married outside of their faith and it started to pull them away from God. The solution was to divorce them and kick the wives and children out!
- How do you feel about their solution to the problem of marriages to unbelievers? What else might they have done?
- What might have been a compassionate solution to the problem?
- **READ:** Luke 6:35-36
- Is showing compassion easy or difficult? Why?
- Who is someone you know who is good at showing compassion? What can you learn from them?

Application Questions:

- Who is someone you need to be compassionate to this week? What will you do?