

# THE ULTIMATE GIFT

It's important that God's Word continues after the message. At Celebrate, we find that you will quite often talk over this week's message long after our experience is over. That's because God has impact. The Sermon Discussion Guide is designed to help you continue the conversation all week.

## How to Enjoy the FEAST?

*Nehemiah 8: 1-10*

Pastor Keith shared that just as Jesus called Simon and Andrew to “come, **FOLLOW ME**”, we too have the same invitation and call upon our lives. As Christians, this becomes a command from Jesus where we are to wholeheartedly and unconditionally follow Him, with no turning back. When we feel like giving up, these two words can be so life changing that we can carry on in faith, just as Nehemiah did in rebuilding the city walls and gates around Jerusalem.

### Three Keys to Enjoying the FEAST:

1. They were **BROKEN**.

After Ezra had read from the Book of the Law, the Israelites stood and confessed their sins and worshiped the Lord their God. Is there sin in your life that holds you captive that you need to share and confess with other believers and to God? Why does God desire a “broken and contrite heart” from each one of us that claim to be His?

*Nehemiah 9:1-3; Psalm 51:16-17; Revelation 3:15-17; James 5:16; 1 John 1:9*

2. They rekindled their **BURDEN**.

After becoming His, we have a great commandment and great commission to love and to reach out to those we know are lost. Who do you know that is lost at this very moment that needs to hear of the saving grace and mercy of God found in Jesus Christ?

*Matthew 28:16-20; Mark 12:28-31; Luke 15:3-7*

3. They fully and completely **BELIEVED**.

Our belief becomes cemented in our faith and love of God. What is the promise that we have that allows us to continue in this life? What feast will be there for us if we remain faithful until the very end of the age?

*Deuteronomy 31:8; Isaiah 45:1-3; John 14:2-3; Revelation 21:1-7*

### What's Next

- Be broken in your conversations with God by confessing and repenting of your sins to Him today.
- Be strong and courageous as you go into the world and share the Good News with people this week!