Review Questions

- 1. What nation conquered Judah and took the people captive? Babylon.
- 2. The prophet Jeremiah delivered the message to Judah that their captivity in Babylon would last how long? 70 years.
- 3. In what year was Daniel taken to Babylon: 607 or 588 BC? 607 BC.
- 4. What was destroyed during the third Babylonian attack in 588 BC? Jerusalem and the temple.
- 5. What nation conquered Babylon in 538 BC: Assyria, Egypt, or Persia? Persia.
- 6. Who was the king of Persia? Cyrus.
- 7. What proclamation, or announcement, did King Cyrus make in 537 BC? That the Jews (people of Judah) could return to their land.
- 8. What had God commanded King Cyrus to do? Build the house of God in Jerusalem.
- **9.** Who did God stir up to return to Judah? (Ask several students.) Leaders of the houses of Judah and Benjamin, priests, Levites.
- 10. What task were the people eager to do when they returned to Jerusalem? Rebuild the temple.
- **11.** What did other people give the Jews before they left Babylon? Silver, gold, goods, beasts (animals), costly wares.
- **12.** How did God show his faithfulness to keep his word spoken through Jeremiah? God moved in King Cyrus' heart to cause him to allow the people to return to their land 70 years after the first exiles were taken captive.
- 13. What was the name of King David's descendant who led the Jewish exiles back to Jerusalem in 536 BC? *Zerubbabel*.
- 14. Who else went with Zerubbabel back to Judah? Servants and singers.
- 15. About how many people total made the journey back to Judah: 5,000; 50,000; or 100,000? 50,000.
- 16. Who organized the people to start work on rebuilding the temple? Zerubbabel.
- 17. What did the priests and Levites do when the builders laid the foundation for the temple? *Praised God and played instruments.*
- **18. Who wasn't happy the Jews returned and started rebuilding the temple?** People living in the land. Non-Jewish people brought there to live during the years the Jews were in captivity.
- 19. How many years was the work on the temple delayed before the people could finish? 21 years.
- **20.** What did the people do when the temple was completed? *They celebrated with joy.* Bonus: In what year was the temple completed? *515 BC*.