

Get Understanding

Proverbs 4: 7 Wisdom is the principal thing; Therefore get wisdom. And in all you're getting, get understanding. (Insight) NKJV

**Nehemiah: "Yahweh Comforts",
in the Hebrew scriptures, Nehemiah was originally included with
Ezra. Many scholars consider Ezra as the compiler/ author of Ezra,
Nehemiah, as well as 1 and 2 Chronicles**

**The historical period covered by the books of Ezra in the meeting with
Nehemiah is about 110 years. The period of rebuilding the temple on
Zerubbabel, inspired by the preaching of Zachariah and Haggai, was
21 years.**

**60 years later, Ezra brought a revival and proper teaching on temple
worship.**

**After 13 years, Nehemiah came to work on the walls. Malachi may
also have prophesied during this time. If so, Nehemiah and Malachi
worked together to eradicate the evil of the worship of many gods
and attack the evil of compromise with the people who had been
forcibly resettled in the land of the Assyrians approximately 200 years
earlier.**

**They succeeded so well that during the intertestamental period.
(Malachi-Matthew)The people of God did not return to adultery Thus,
when the messiah can people such as Zachariah and Elizabeth, Mary,
Joseph and Simeon and Anna, the shepherds and others work with a
godly people with whom God would communicate**

Ezra Reads the Law

Nehemiah 8:1 And all the people gathered as one man into the square before the Water Gate. And they told Ezra the scribe to bring the Book of the Law of Moses that the LORD had commanded Israel.

2 So Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could **understand** what they heard, on the first day of the seventh month.

3 And he read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could **understand**. And the ears of all the people were attentive to the Book of the Law.

4 And Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden platform that they had made for the purpose. And beside him stood Mattithiah, Shema, Anaiah, Uriah, Hilkiah, and Maaseiah on his right hand, and Pedaiah, Mishael, Malchijah, Hashum, Hashbaddanah, Zechariah, and Meshullam on his left hand.

5 And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was above all the people, and as he opened it all the people stood.

6 And Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. And they bowed their heads and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground.

7 Also Jeshua, Bani, Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodiah, Maaseiah, Kelita, Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah, the Levites, helped the people to **understand** the Law, while the people remained in their places.

8 They read from the book, from the Law of God, clearly, and they gave the sense, so that the people **understood** the reading.

This Day Is Holy

Nehemiah 8:9 And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or

weep.” For all the people wept as they heard the words of the Law. **10** Then he said to them, “Go your way. Eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions to anyone who has nothing ready, for this day is holy to our Lord. And do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.”

11 So the Levites calmed all the people, saying, “Be quiet, for this day is holy; do not be grieved.”

12 And all the people went their way to eat and drink and to send portions and to make great rejoicing, because they had **understood** the words that were declared to them.

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Right Hand:

Mattathias, [Matthias, Mattithiah] the gift of the Lord

Shema, hearing; obeying

Anaiah, “Yahweh Responds”

Uriah, [Urias, Uriel, Urijah] the Lord is my light or fire

Hilkiah, God is my portion

Maaseiah, [Mahseiah] the work of the Lord

Left Hand:

Pedaiah, redemption of the Lord

Mishael, who is asked for or lent

Malchijah (Malchiah, Malkijah, Melchiah] the Lord my king, or my counselor

Hashum, silence; their hasting

Hashbaddanah, “Yahweh has considered me”
Zachariah, [Zacharias, Zechariah] memory of the Lord
Meshullam, peaceable; perfect; their parables

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Also, others to teach: Levites

Jeshua (Joshua, Jehoshua, , Oshea] a savior; a deliverer
Bani, “descendant”. one of David’s 37 warriors, a Gadite
Sherebiah, singing with the Lord
Jamin, right hand; south wind¹
Akkub, foot-print; supplanting; crookedness; lewdness
Shabbethai, my rest
Hodaiah, [Hodaviah, Hodevah, Hodiah, Hodijah] the praise of the Lord
Maaseiah, [Mahseiah] the work of the Lord
Kelita, (Kelaiah, Kelitah] voice of the Lord; gathering together
Azariah, [Azariahu, Azaryahu] he that hears the Lord
Josabad, [Jozabad] having a dowry
Hanan, full of grace
Pelaiah, the Lord’s secret or miracle