

Sermon Notes March 14, 2021

Zerubbabel and Ezra: Following God's Will

Ezra 1:1-4

2 Chronicles 36:1-5 After Josiah died, in order to fulfill Huldah's prophecy, Judah was taken over by _____. The king of Egypt put _____ on the throne.

In 605 BC _____ became the world power and took Judah captive. The Babylonians _____ Jerusalem and Solomon's Temple.

From 536 BC till 516 BC _____ went back to rebuild the Temple. As governor, he was in the the _____ of Jesus (Matthew 1:13)

In 458 BC _____ the priest and scribe followed as a governor to finish the Temple and rebuild the worship of the people.

Ezra 1:1-8 God used a _____ king named Cyrus king of Persia to do His will, to rebuild the Temple in Jerusalem.

Ezra 2:1-2 Of the 50,000 who went with Zerubbabel were workers in the _____.

Ezra 3:1-6 They built the _____ first even before building the Temple.

Ezra 3:8-12 They laid a _____ of the Temple but it was _____ than Solomon's Temple. As a result those who remembered the old Temple _____.

Ezra 4:19-24 The _____ are rejected from taking part in the building because they mixed Judaism with Assyrian idol worship. They tried to _____ the construction of the Temple. Eventually the king stopped the reconstruction.

Ezra 5:1-6:12 It took a new king _____ and 16 years to finish the job in 516 BC.

Ezra 7:6-23 is set 58 years later under a new king _____. A new governor named _____ comes to establish proper _____.

Proverbs 21:1-3 The heart of a leader is in the hand of the _____. God will direct the decision of a king to do what God intends. Pray to that end.

Ezra 8:21 As they were about to depart for the Promised Land, Ezra called for a _____. Prayer with fasting is a way to _____ ourselves and recognize our dependence on Him.

Make sure that God is first in your life. Purify yourself. Be known as one who puts God first.