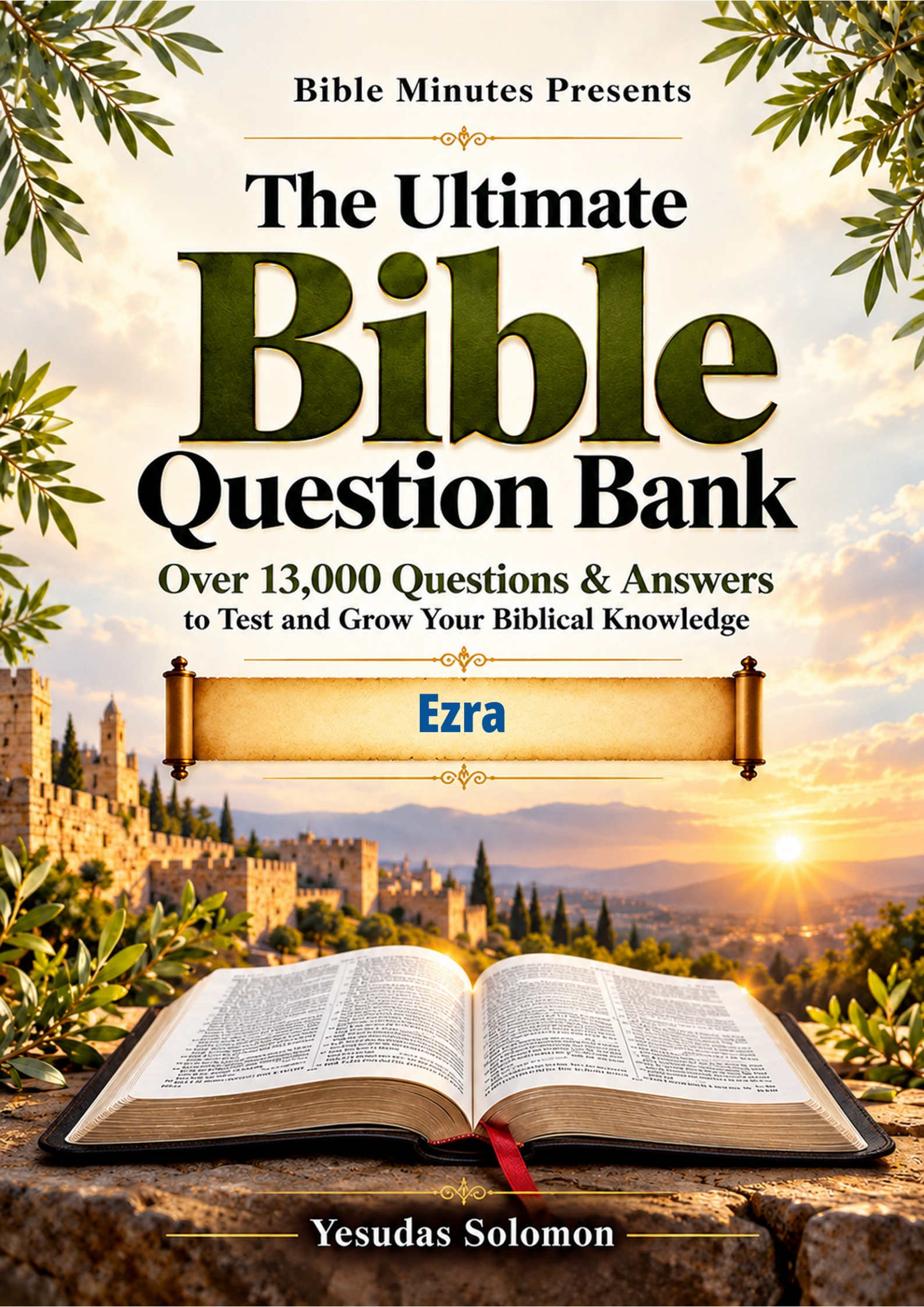
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1. Which king of Persia made a decree allowing the Jews to return and rebuild the temple?

A). Darius B). Cyrus C). Xerxes D). Artaxerxes

2. In which year of his reign did Cyrus make his proclamation?

A). The third year B). The first year C). The seventh year D). The twentieth year

3. Cyrus's proclamation fulfilled the word of the LORD spoken by which prophet?

A). Isaiah B). Ezekiel C). Jeremiah D). Daniel

4. What did Cyrus say the God of heaven had appointed him to do?

A). Build a temple for him at Jerusalem B). Rebuild the walls of Babylon
C). Conquer the land of Egypt D). Destroy the idols of Persia

5. How were the people around the returning exiles told to help them?

A). By going with them to fight B). By sending soldiers to guard the road
C). By building houses for them in Babylon D). By giving silver, gold, goods and livestock

6. The family heads of which two tribes prepared to go up and build the house of the LORD?

A). Ephraim and Manasseh B). Reuben and Gad C). Judah and Benjamin
D). Dan and Asher

7. Who had carried away the articles of the LORD's temple from Jerusalem?

A). Nebuchadnezzar B). Belshazzar C). Sennacherib D). Pharaoh Necho

8. Which treasurer counted out the temple articles for Cyrus?

A). Sheshbazzar B). Tattenai C). Mithredath D). Rehum

9. The temple articles were counted out to which prince of Judah?

A). Ezra B). Nehemiah C). Jeshua D). Sheshbazzar

10. How many articles of gold and silver were there in all?

A). 2,400 B). 5,400 C). 1,000 D). 7,337

11. From which city did the exiles come up to Jerusalem with Sheshbazzar?

A). Babylon B). Nineveh C). Susa D). Damascus

Ezra 2

12. Which king had taken the people of Judah captive to Babylon?

A). Cyrus B). Nebuchadnezzar C). Darius D). Ahasuerus

13. Which two men are named first among the leaders who came back with the exiles?

A). Ezra and Nehemiah B). Haggai and Zechariah C). Zerubbabel and Jeshua
D). Sheshbazzar and Mithredath

14. Where did the returning exiles go to live?

A). Each to their own town B). All to the city of Babylon C). Each to a town in Egypt
D). All to the land of Moab

15. The temple musicians listed in Ezra 2 were descendants of whom?

A). Korah B). Aaron C). Levi D). Asaph

16. What problem did some of the returning families have?

A). They could not speak Hebrew B). They could not show that they were from Israel
C). They had no money for the journey D). They refused to leave Babylon

17. Why were some priests excluded from the priesthood as unclean?

A). They had married foreign wives B). They had worshipped idols in Babylon
C). They could not find their family records D). They arrived late in Jerusalem

18. One priest married a daughter of which man and was called by his name?

A). Barzillai the Gileadite B). Jesse of Bethlehem C). Boaz of Bethlehem
D). Jethro of Midian

19. Until a priest could use the Urim and Thummim, what were the unregistered priests not allowed to do?

A). Enter the city of Jerusalem B). Offer prayers at the altar C). Own land in Judah
D). Eat any of the most sacred food

20. How many people were in the whole company that returned, not counting slaves and singers?

A). 5,400 B). 42,360 C). 7,337 D). 61,000

21. What did some family heads give when they arrived at the house of the LORD in Jerusalem?

A). Freewill offerings to rebuild the house of God B). Animals for a great feast
C). Gifts for the king of Persia D). Money to build their own houses

22. Besides gold and silver, what did the people give for the work, according to their ability?

A). Bronze shields B). Cedar logs C). Priestly garments D). Sheep and goats

Ezra 3

23. In which month did the people assemble together as one in Jerusalem?

A). The first month B). The seventh month C). The tenth month
D). The twelfth month

24. What did Jeshua and Zerubbabel build first so they could offer burnt offerings?

A). The city walls B). The temple gates C). The altar of the God of Israel
D). A house for the governor

25. What feeling did the people have while they built the altar?

A). Fear of the peoples around them B). Anger at the priests
C). Pride in their own strength D). Sadness about leaving Babylon

26. Which festival did the people celebrate in Ezra 3?

A). The Passover B). The Festival of Weeks C). The Festival of Purim
D). The Festival of Tabernacles

27. When the people began offering burnt offerings on the first day of the seventh month, what had not yet been done?

A). The altar had not been built B). The foundation of the temple had not been laid
C). The priests had not arrived D). Cyrus had not given permission

28. From where were cedar logs brought by sea to Joppa?

A). Egypt B). Moab C). Lebanon D). Edom

29. Who were appointed to supervise the building of the house of the LORD?

A). Levites twenty years old and older B). Priests fifty years old and older
C). Men of Tyre and Sidon D). Officials sent by Cyrus

30. What did the people do when the builders laid the foundation of the temple?

A). They left Jerusalem B). They held a great feast for the king
C). They praised the LORD with trumpets and cymbals D). They stopped the work to rest

31. The praise at the laying of the foundation followed the way prescribed by which king?

A). Solomon B). Hezekiah C). Cyrus D). David

32. Complete the song: "He is good; his _____ toward Israel endures forever."

A). mercy B). love C). power D). strength

33. Who wept aloud when they saw the foundation of the new temple?

A). Older people who had seen the former temple B). The workers from Tyre and Sidon
C). The children of the exiles D). The officials of King Cyrus

34. Why could no one tell the shouts of joy from the sound of weeping?

A). The people were too far away B). The singers were too loud
C). Both sounds were mixed together and heard far away D). Everyone was wailing in grief

Ezra 4

35. What did the enemies of Judah and Benjamin first offer to do?

A). Help build the temple B). Pay for the temple C). Send soldiers to Jerusalem
D). Leave the land in peace

36. The enemies said they had been sacrificing to God since the time of which king of Assyria?

A). Sennacherib B). Esarhaddon C). Tiglath-Pileser D). Shalmaneser

37. How did Zerubbabel, Jeshua and the family heads answer the offer of help?

A). They accepted it gladly B). They asked for money instead
C). They refused and said they alone would build D). They asked the king to decide

38. How did the peoples around them try to stop the building?

A). They attacked the city with an army B). They stole the gold and silver articles
C). They poisoned the wells of Jerusalem D). They discouraged them and bribed officials

39. Which commanding officer, together with Shimshai the secretary, wrote a letter against Jerusalem?

A). Rehum B). Tattenai C). Mithredath D). Tabeel

40. In what language was the letter to King Artaxerxes written?

A). Hebrew B). Greek C). Aramaic D). Egyptian

41. What did the letter warn the king would happen if Jerusalem was rebuilt?

A). The Jews would attack Babylon B). No more taxes or tribute would be paid
C). The temple would be larger than the king's palace
D). The people would crown David's descendant king

42. What did the king say the search of the records showed about Jerusalem?

A). It had always paid its taxes B). It had been built by Cyrus
C). It had never had a king D). It had a long history of revolt

43. What did Rehum and Shimshai do after reading the king's reply?

A). They forced the Jews to stop building B). They helped the Jews finish the walls
C). They sent gifts to the temple D). They left the land of Judah

44. Until when did the work on the house of God in Jerusalem stop?

A). The first year of Cyrus B). The second year of King Darius
C). The seventh year of Artaxerxes D). The death of King Xerxes

Ezra 5

45. Which two prophets prophesied to the Jews in Judah and Jerusalem?

A). Isaiah and Jeremiah B). Haggai and Zechariah C). Elijah and Elisha
D). Ezekiel and Daniel

46. What did Zerubbabel and Jeshua do after the prophets spoke?

A). They returned to Babylon B). They wrote to King Darius
C). They began rebuilding the house of God D). They built walls around Jerusalem

47. Who was the governor of Trans-Euphrates who questioned the Jews about the building?

A). Tattenai B). Rehum C). Sanballat D). Mithredath

48. Why were the Jewish elders not stopped from building while the report went to Darius?

A). They paid the governor money B). They hid the work at night
C). The king's soldiers protected them D). The eye of their God was watching over them

49. How did the elders describe themselves when asked who they were?

A). Servants of the God of heaven and earth B). Soldiers of the king of Persia
C). Children of the land of Babylon D). Friends of the governor Tattenai

50. According to the elders, why had God handed their ancestors over to Nebuchadnezzar?

A). Because they refused to pay taxes
B). Because their ancestors angered the God of heaven C). Because they had no king
D). Because they had attacked Babylon

51. According to the letter, whom had Cyrus appointed governor, who laid the foundations of the house of God?

A). Ezra B). Tattenai C). Sheshbazzar D). Nehemiah

52. What did Tattenai ask King Darius to do?

A). Send an army to Jerusalem B). Punish the prophets
C). Give more gold for the temple D). Search the royal archives for Cyrus's decree

Ezra 6

53. Where was the scroll with Cyrus's decree finally found?

A). In the temple at Jerusalem B). In the treasury at Babylon
C). In the citadel of Ecbatana D). In the palace at Susa

54. According to Cyrus's decree, who was to pay the costs of rebuilding the temple?

A). The royal treasury B). The Jewish family heads C). The people of Tyre and Sidon
D). The governor Tattenai

55. What did King Darius tell Tattenai to do about the work on the temple?

A). Stop the work at once B). Stay away and not interfere

C). Send the builders to Persia D). Tear down the new walls

56. Why did Darius order animals, wheat, salt, wine and oil to be given to the priests daily?

A). To pay the priests for their work B). To feed the soldiers in Jerusalem

C). To prepare for a war D). So they could offer sacrifices and pray for the king and his sons

57. What did Darius say would happen to anyone who changed his edict?

A). They would be sent to Babylon B). They would lose all their money

C). A beam would be pulled from their house and they would be impaled on it

D). They would be thrown into a lions' den

58. Through whose preaching did the elders of the Jews prosper as they built?

A). Haggai and Zechariah B). Ezra and Nehemiah C). Jeremiah and Ezekiel

D). Jeshua and Zerubbabel

59. When was the temple completed?

A). In the first year of Cyrus B). In the second year of Darius

C). In the seventh year of Artaxerxes D). In the sixth year of Darius

60. How did the people of Israel celebrate the dedication of the house of God?

A). With joy B). With fasting and sorrow C). With silence D). With a battle

61. Why were twelve male goats offered as a sin offering at the dedication?

A). One for each month of the year B). One for each tribe of Israel

C). One for each gate of the temple D). One for each family head

62. Which festival did the exiles celebrate on the fourteenth day of the first month?

A). The Festival of Tabernacles B). Purim C). The Passover

D). The Festival of Trumpets

63. Why did the people celebrate the Festival of Unleavened Bread with joy?

A). The LORD had changed the attitude of the king B). Their enemies had all died

C). They had found more gold D). The walls of the city were finished

Ezra 7

64. During the reign of which king did Ezra come up from Babylon?

A). Cyrus B). Darius C). Artaxerxes D). Nebuchadnezzar

65. Ezra was a descendant of which chief priest?

A). Eli B). Aaron C). Zadok D). Jeshua

66. What was Ezra well versed in?

A). The Law of Moses B). The songs of David C). The laws of Persia
D). The wisdom of Babylon

67. Why did the king grant Ezra everything he asked?

A). Ezra paid the king much gold B). Ezra had saved the king's life
C). The king was afraid of Ezra D). The hand of the LORD his God was on him

68. In which month did Ezra arrive in Jerusalem after beginning his journey in the first month?

A). The second month B). The fifth month C). The seventh month
D). The tenth month

69. To what three things had Ezra devoted himself?

A). Fighting, ruling and building B). Singing, feasting and praying
C). Studying, observing and teaching the Law of the LORD
D). Travelling, trading and writing letters

70. What did King Artaxerxes allow any Israelite in his kingdom to do?

A). Go to Jerusalem with Ezra B). Build a new palace C). Become a Persian official
D). Stop paying the king's taxes

71. According to Artaxerxes's letter, who was not to be made to pay taxes, tribute or duty?

A). The governors of Trans-Euphrates B). All the people of Jerusalem
C). The king's seven advisers D). The priests, Levites and other temple workers

72. What did Artaxerxes tell Ezra to appoint for the people of Trans-Euphrates?

A). Priests and prophets B). Magistrates and judges C). Soldiers and captains
D). Builders and carpenters

73. Why did Ezra praise the LORD at the end of the chapter?

A). God had defeated Israel's enemies B). God had given Ezra great riches
C). God had put it into the king's heart to honour the house of the LORD
D). God had made Ezra king

Ezra 8

74. At which canal did Ezra gather the people before the journey to Jerusalem?

A). The Kebar River B). The Ahava Canal C). The Jordan River
D). The Euphrates River

75. While checking the people at the canal, which group did Ezra find missing?

A). The priests B). The singers C). The Levites D). The family heads

76. To whom did Ezra send men to ask for ministers for the house of God?

A). Iddo B). Tattenai C). Rehum D). Shecaniah

77. What did Ezra proclaim at the Ahava Canal before the journey?

A). A great feast B). A census of the people C). A day of singing
D). A fast to humble themselves before God

78. Why was Ezra ashamed to ask the king for soldiers to protect them?

A). He had told the king God's hand is on those who look to him
B). The king had no soldiers to give C). The soldiers were needed in Egypt
D). The people wanted to travel alone

79. What happened after the people fasted and prayed about their journey?

A). God sent them a sign in the sky B). God answered their prayer
C). The king sent them an army D). They decided not to go

80. To whom did Ezra give the silver, gold and articles to carry?

A). Soldiers from the king B). The temple servants C). Twelve leading priests
D). Merchants from Babylon

81. Complete Ezra's words: "You as well as these articles are _____ to the LORD."

A). given B). promised C). sent D). consecrated

82. How did the travellers stay safe from enemies and bandits on the way?

A). The hand of their God was on them and protected them B). They travelled only at night
C). The king's army guarded them D). They hid the gold in the ground

83. Why did the returning exiles offer twelve bulls as burnt offerings?

A). One for each priest who carried the gold B). They were for all Israel
C). One for each month of the journey D). They were a gift for the king

Ezra 9

84. What problem did the leaders report to Ezra?

A). The people had stopped building the temple
B). The people had not kept themselves separate from the neighbouring peoples
C). The people had refused to pay taxes D). The people had gone back to Babylon

85. According to the report, who had led the way in this unfaithfulness?

A). The leaders and officials B). The singers and gatekeepers C). The foreign workers
D). The young children

86. What did Ezra do when he heard this report?

A). He called for a great feast B). He left Jerusalem at once
C). He tore his clothes and pulled hair from his head and beard
D). He wrote a letter to the king

87. Who gathered around Ezra as he sat appalled?

A). The king's soldiers B). The neighbouring peoples

C). The prophets Haggai and Zechariah D). Everyone who trembled at the words of God

88. At what time did Ezra rise and fall on his knees to pray?

A). At the morning sacrifice B). At the evening sacrifice C). At midnight

D). On the Sabbath day

89. Complete Ezra's prayer: "Our sins are higher than our heads and our guilt has reached to the _____."

A). mountains B). clouds C). heavens D). stars

90. How did Ezra feel as he began to pray?

A). Too ashamed to lift up his face to God B). Proud of what the people had done

C). Angry with God D). Happy and full of joy

91. What did Ezra say God had not done, even though the people were slaves?

A). Given them a land B). Sent them prophets C). Heard their prayers

D). Forsaken them

92. What did Ezra say about the way God had punished his people?

A). God had punished them less than their sins deserved

B). God had punished them too harshly C). God had not punished them at all

D). God had punished only their enemies

Ezra 10

93. What did a large crowd do while Ezra prayed and wept before the house of God?

A). They laughed at him B). They gathered and wept bitterly too C). They went home

D). They ran to tell the king

94. Who spoke up and said there was still hope for Israel?

A). Jonathan son of Asahel B). Meshullam C). Shecaniah son of Jehiel

D). Jehohanan

95. Complete Shecaniah's words to Ezra: "We will support you, so take _____ and do it."

A). courage B). time C). care D). charge

96. What did Ezra do in the room of Jehohanan?

A). He wrote to the king B). He counted the gold C). He slept for three days

D). He ate no food and drank no water while he mourned

97. What would happen to anyone who did not come to Jerusalem within three days?

A). They would lose their property and be expelled from the assembly

B). They would be sent back to Babylon C). They would be put in prison

D). They would pay a fine of silver

98. Why were the people greatly distressed as they sat in the square before the house of God?

A). Because of the heat and the lack of water

B). Because of the matter and because of the rain C). Because enemies were attacking

D). Because Ezra had left them

99. How did the whole assembly answer Ezra when he told them to confess and separate themselves?

A). They refused to listen B). They asked for more time to think

C). They said, "You are right! We must do as you say." D). They went back to their towns

100. Why did the people say the matter could not be finished in one or two days?

A). The king had not given permission B). The priests were not ready

C). There was no food

D). There were many people, it was the rainy season, and many had sinned

101. Which two men opposed the plan to deal with the matter?

A). Jonathan son of Asahel and Jahzeiah son of Tikvah B). Zerubbabel and Jeshua

C). Haggai and Zechariah D). Rehum and Shimshai

102. What did the descendants of Jeshua son of Jozadak offer for their guilt?

A). A bull B). A ram C). A lamb D). A pair of doves

Answer Key

Ezra

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1. B) Cyrus
2. B) The first year
3. C) Jeremiah
4. A) Build a temple for him at Jerusalem
5. D) By giving silver, gold, goods and livestock
6. C) Judah and Benjamin
7. A) Nebuchadnezzar
8. C) Mithredath
9. D) Sheshbazzar
10. B) 5,400
11. A) Babylon

Ezra 2

12. B) Nebuchadnezzar
13. C) Zerubbabel and Jeshua
14. A) Each to their own town
15. D) Asaph
16. B) They could not show that they were from Israel
17. C) They could not find their family records
18. A) Barzillai the Gileadite
19. D) Eat any of the most sacred food
20. B) 42,360
21. A) Freewill offerings to rebuild the house of God
22. C) Priestly garments

Ezra 3

23. B) The seventh month
24. C) The altar of the God of Israel
25. A) Fear of the peoples around them
26. D) The Festival of Tabernacles
27. B) The foundation of the temple had not been laid
28. C) Lebanon
29. A) Levites twenty years old and older
30. C) They praised the LORD with trumpets and cymbals
31. D) David
32. B) love
33. A) Older people who had seen the former temple
34. C) Both sounds were mixed together and heard far away

Ezra 4

35. A) Help build the temple
36. B) Esarhaddon
37. C) They refused and said they alone would build
38. D) They discouraged them and bribed officials
39. A) Rehum
40. C) Aramaic
41. B) No more taxes or tribute would be paid
42. D) It had a long history of revolt
43. A) They forced the Jews to stop building
44. B) The second year of King Darius

Ezra 5

45. B) Haggai and Zechariah
46. C) They began rebuilding the house of God
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