September 19/Day 262

Ezra 4

Verses 1-3

- What did the enemies say to Zerubbabel?
- How did he answer them?
- What is the application for us?

Verses 4-5

- The people in the land were those who came in during the exile. It was a common practice for the conquering nation to bring exiles into the conquered nation to mix cultures and confuse languages.
- What is the timing in this passage? What did the people of the land do all this time?

Verse 6

• Ahasuerus is also known as Xerxes. His father was Darius.

Verse 7

• Artaxerxes is the son of Xerxes (Ahasuerus).

Verses 8-16

- What words did the letter use to describe the city?
- What did they claim would happen when the city was rebuilt?

Verses 17-22

• What did Artaxerxes reply?

Verses 23-24

• What happened when the men read the news?

Ezra 5

Verses 1-2

• Which prophets are mentioned here?

Verses 3-5

- What is this passage about?
- Notice which king is mentioned, so that we will know the timing in regard to the last chapter, an overview.

Verses 6-17

• Summary of events leading up to this time.

Ezra 6

Verses 1-5

• What was written in the memorandum found in the archives?

Verses 6-12

- What did Darius say to the governor?
- What was to be repaid without delay?
- What would happen to any man who violated the edict?
- What did he say about God in verse 12?

Verses 13-15

• Which kings are mentioned in regard to the timing of the building project?

Verses 16-18

• How was the dedication celebrated?

Verses 19-22

- What was celebrated?
- Who had caused the people to rejoice?
- Who turned the heart of the king of Assyria toward them to encourage them?
- What do we learn about God in all this?

Psalm 137

• Enjoy the poetry and song.

Verses 1-9

- What kind of tree is mentioned in verse 2?
- What did their captors have them do?

See you tomorrow.