# September 18/Day 261

# <u>Ezra 1</u>

Verse 1

- What is the time reference in this passage? Make note that what we will see here is one of the first things Cyrus did during his reign.
- Cyrus was the king of Persia, why did the LORD stir him up
- What did he send out?

### Verses 2-4

- Though Cyrus is not Hebrew, does He recognize God's sovereignty over his life and his position?
- What was the proclamation about?

### Verses 5-11

- Which of the people went back to rebuild the house of the LORD?
- What did Cyrus give them?

# Ezra 2

Verses 1-35.

• Think about it. You are in exile but the king just tells you to go back home and rebuild your temple. How would you feel?

#### Verses 36-70

• How many returned according to verse 64?

# Ezra 3

Verses 1-7

- What is the time reference here?
- What did Zerubbabel and his brothers build and what did they do there?

#### Verses 8-9

• What is the time reference here? So, how long is it taking for them to get organized?

Verses 10-13

- What did they do when the builders laid the foundation?
- What did they say about the LORD?
- Did everyone have the same emotional response?

See you tomorrow.