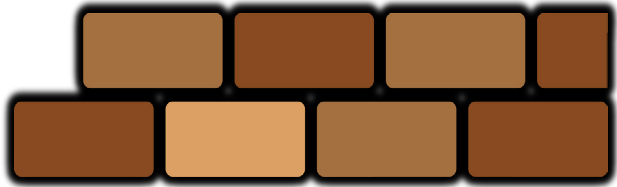


NEHEMIAH



building blocks for revival

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Nehemiah 8

A Want For The Word

INTRODUCTION

Nehemiah 8:1-2

Psalm 119:25 (*emphasis added*)

My soul cleaveth unto the dust: **QUICKEN THOU ME ACCORDING TO THY WORD.**

What does a WANT FOR THE WORD look like?

1. INDULGENCE in the Word (vs 3)

Job 23:12

...I have esteemed the words of his mouth more than my necessary food.

Psalm 34:8

O taste and see that the Lord is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

2. REVERENCE for the Word (vs 3-6)

**Reverence = HONOR and RESPECT that is DEEPLY FELT
and OUTWARDLY DEMONSTRATED**

“If we want revivals, we must revive our reverence for God’s Word.”

-Charles Spurgeon

1 Thessalonians 2:13 *(emphasis added)*

For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because, when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye received it not as the word of men, **BUT AS IT IS IN TRUTH, THE WORD OF GOD...**

Psalms 119:161 *(emphasis added)*

...my heart **STANDETH IN AWE** of thy word.

Psalms 138:2 *(emphasis added)*

I will worship toward thy holy temple, and praise thy name for thy lovingkindness and for thy truth: for **THOU HAST MAGNIFIED THY WORD ABOVE ALL THY NAME.**

Isaiah 66:2 *(emphasis added)*

...But **TO THIS MAN WILL I LOOK**, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, **AND TREMBLETH AT MY WORD.**

3. UNDERSTANDING of the Word (vs 7-8)

Colossians 3:16 *(emphasis added)*

Let the word of Christ dwell in you **RICHLY, IN ALL WISDOM...**

2 Timothy 2:15 *(emphasis added)*

STUDY to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, **RIGHTLY DIVIDING THE WORD OF TRUTH.**

Psalms 119:130 *(emphasis added)*

The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth **UNDERSTANDING TO THE SIMPLE.**

Hebrews 5:13-14

For every one that useth milk is unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he is a babe. But strong meat belongeth to them that are of full age...

4. STRENGTH from the Word (vs 9-12)

Psalm 119:28 *(emphasis added)*

My soul melteth for heaviness: **STRENGTHEN THOU ME ACCORDING UNTO THY WORD.**

Matthew 4:4

...Man shall not live by bread alone, but every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.

Jeremiah 15:16 *(emphasis added)*

Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and **THY WORD WAS UNTO ME JOY AND REJOICING OF MINE HEART...**

Psalm 119:162

I rejoice at thy word, as one that findeth great spoil.

5. OBEDIENCE to the Word (vs 13-18)

James 1:22

But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.

John 14:15

If ye love me, keep my commandments.

1 John 5:3

For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous.