

EZRA

	CHRONICLES	ESTHER	NEHEMIAH
	Construction Leader: Zerubbabel CENSUS AND JOURNEY CHAPTERS 1-2 Temple Foundation Opposition Determination Completion CHAPTERS 3-6	CENSUS AND JOURNEY CHAPTERS 7-8 Revival Condition Confession Covenant Cleansing CHAPTERS 9-10 Reformation Leader: Ezra	
Emphasis	Construction of the temple		
Persian King	Cyrus	Darius	Artaxerxes
Scope	National	General	Personal
Theme	Revival and Reformation		
Key Verses	1:1-4; 3:2; 7:10		
Christ in Ezra	His birth anticipated in the preservation of the Davidic line and the remnant's return to the Promised Land. His work as spiritual rebuilder and restorer pictured in Zerubbabel and Ezra. His mediating presence and glory pictured in the altar and the temple.		

Book of Ezra

I. Return of the Exiles and Rebuilding of the Temple (chs. 1-6)

a. Return of the Exiles (chs. 1; 2)

1. The Decree of Cyrus (1:1-4)
2. Preparations for Returning (1:5-11)
3. The List of Returnees (ch. 2)

b. Rebuilding the Temple (chs. 3-6)

1. Rebuilding of the Altar (3:1-6)
2. Rebuilding of the Temple Proper (3:7-6:22)
 - a. Rebuilding Begun (3:7-13)
 - b. Opposition to Rebuilding (ch. 4)
 - c. Rebuilding Resumed (5:1, 2)
 - d. Opposition to Rebuilding (5:3-6:12)
 - e. Rebuilding Completed (6:13-22)

II. Return of Ezra and Rebuilding of the Community (chs. 7-10)

a. Return of Ezra (chs. 7; 8)

1. Ezra's Return (7:1-10)
2. Ezra's Commission (7:11-26)
3. Ezra's Doxology (7:27, 28)
4. Ezra's Companions (8:1-14)
5. Ezra's Return (8:15-36)

b. Rebuilding of the Community (chs. 9; 10)

1. Ezra's Reaction to Intermarriage (ch. 9)
 - a. Ezra Hears (9:1, 2)
 - b. Ezra Grieves (9:3, 4)
 - c. Ezra Confesses (9:5-15)
2. The People's Reaction to Ezra (ch. 10)
 - a. The People Grieve (10:1)
 - b. The People Confess (10:2)
 - c. The People Repent (10:3-17)
 - d. The People Who Were Guilty (10:18-44)