

## **Ezra 3:1-2 (NIV)**

**[1] When the seventh month came and the Israelites had settled in their towns, the people assembled as one man in Jerusalem. [2] Then Jeshua son of Jozadak and his fellow priests and Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel and his associates began to build the altar of the God of Israel to sacrifice burnt offerings on it, in accordance with what is written in the Law of Moses the man of God.**

## **Ezra 3:10-11 (NIV)**

**[10] When the builders laid the foundation of the temple of the LORD, the priests in their vestments and with trumpets, and the Levites (the sons of Asaph) with cymbals, took their places to praise the LORD, as prescribed by David king of Israel. [11] With praise and thanksgiving they sang to the LORD: "He is good; his love to Israel endures forever."**

## **Ezra 3:11-12 (NIV)**

**And all the people gave a great shout of praise to the LORD, because the foundation of the house of the LORD was laid. [12] But many of the older priests and Levites and family heads, who had seen the former temple, wept aloud when they saw the foundation of this temple being laid, while many others shouted for joy.**

## **Philippians 3:7-8 (NIV)**

**But whatever was to my profit I now consider loss for the sake of Christ. [8]  
What is more, I consider everything a loss compared to the surpassing greatness of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord, for whose sake I have lost all things. I consider them rubbish, that I may gain Christ**

## **Philippians 3:9-10 (NIV)**

**and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which is through faith in Christ--the righteousness that comes from God and is by faith. [10] I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the fellowship of sharing in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death,**

## **Philippians 3:11-12 (NIV)**

**and so, somehow, to attain to the resurrection from the dead. [12] Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me.**

## **Philippians 3:13-14 (NIV)**

**Brothers, I do not consider myself yet to have taken hold of it. But one thing I do: Forgetting what is behind and straining toward what is ahead, [14] I press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called me heavenward in Christ Jesus.**

# Starting to Build

Ezra 3:1-13



## **Seventh Month ~ “Tishri”**

- **1<sup>st</sup> Tishri - Feast of Trumpets**
- **10<sup>th</sup> Tishri - Day of Atonement**
- **15-21<sup>st</sup> Tishri - Feast of Tabernacles**

# **Feast of Tabernacles - REMEMBERING God's....**

- **Deliverance from Slavery in Egypt**
- **Provision and Direction on the Journey**
- **Protection from Enemies**

## **Psalms 103:1-5 (NIV)**

**Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. [2] Praise the LORD, O my soul, and. . .**

# ...Forget Not All His Benefits...

- who **FORGIVES** all your sins and
- **HEALS** all your diseases
- who **REDEEMS** your life from the pit
- and **CROWNS YOU** with love and compassion

# ...Forget Not All His Benefits...

- who **SATISFIES** your **DESIRES** with good things
- so that your youth is **RENEWED** like the eagle's.

## **Daniel 9:16-19 (NIV)**

**O Lord, in keeping with all your righteous acts, turn away your anger and your wrath from Jerusalem, your city, your holy hill. Our sins and the iniquities of our fathers have made Jerusalem and your people an object of scorn to all those around us. [17] "Now, our God, hear the prayers and petitions of your servant. For your sake, O Lord, look with favor on your desolate sanctuary.**

## Daniel 9:18-19 (NIV)

Give ear, O God, and hear; open your eyes and see the desolation of the city that bears your Name. We do not make requests of you because we are righteous, but because of your great mercy. [19] O Lord, listen! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, hear and act! For your sake, O my God, do not delay, because your city and your people bear your Name."

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