

The Spiritual Revival of God's People

Nehemiah 9:1 – 10:39

Key Verse 10:29

* THE PRAYER OF REPENTANCE OF THE PEOPLE (9:1-37)

1. Why did the Israelites gather and how did they respond to Bible study? (1-3) How did the Levites lead the people to praise God? (4-5a) What does this tell us about the Bible study?
2. Read the prayer carefully (5b-37). Who is God who chose Abraham? (5b-8) What are God's characters revealed in the history of Israel (8-15; 19-25)? (cf. righteousness, faithfulness, goodness, mercy, etc.) Why did the Israelites become unthankful, stiff-necked and rebellious repeatedly? (16-18; 26-31) What did they confess about God and about themselves (32-34)? What did they realize the consequence of their sins (36-37)?

* THE DECISION OF FAITH OF THE PEOPLE OF GOD (9:38 - 10:39)

3. "In view of all this," what decisions did they make? (9:38; 10:29) Who signed on and sealed the binding agreement (10:1-29)? Why did they do so together? What does it tell us about their repentance and decision of faith?
4. What did they promise to refrain from? (30-31) What did they decide to do for God and the house of God? (32-39) Think about your "Responsibility" and "Negligence." What brought the spiritual revival among them? What binding agreement are you making with God?