

“I See That Hand”

Ezra 7:1-10

Today's BIG IDEA:

Faithful Christians live with the good hand of God upon them.

Let's LOOK at Ezra:

1. Ezra's _____ (v.1-6)

A. His _____ lineage and ministry (v.1-6a)

B. His _____ with the Law of Moses (v.6b)

C. His _____ with the Lord and men (v.6c-d)

2. Ezra's _____ (v.7-9)

3. Ezra's _____ (v.10)

A. To _____ God's Word
(*Psalm 119:97*)

B. To _____ to God's Word
(*James 1:22*)

C. To _____ God's Word
(*2 Timothy 4:2*)

- The Hebrew word for “set” is קָוָה (pron. “koon”). It means to “be firm” or to “be resolved”

Let's LEARN from Ezra:

1. God's hand is writing your _____ for his glory (v.1-6)

(*Jeremiah 18:6*)

2. God's hand has equipped you with _____ for his glory (v.6)

(*1 Peter 4:10-11*)

3. God's hand will grant you _____ for his glory (v.6)

(*Isaiah 41:10*)

4. God's hand is on those who _____ their heart on him and his glory (v.10)

APPLICATION QUESTIONS:

1. As you think about your life story, discuss how the hand of God can be seen leading you to where you are today. How does knowing that God's hand is upon you give you assurance and hope?
2. What gifts and skills has God blessed you with? How can you leverage these things for the sake of the gospel?
3. What would be some practical implications of us “setting our hearts” on the Lord? What are some barriers that often keep us from doing so?