## HOW TO BE RESTORED SPIRITUALLY: Part 2 THE WORD IS MADE KNOWN TO THE PEOPLE Nehemiah 8:7-12

- I. Review: START WITH A DESIRE TO BE TAUGHT THE WORD OF GOD and GATHER TOGETHER to hear His Word from His teachers: The people gathered together and asked for Ezra to bring the Scriptures and he brings the Word before the Assembly (1-2)
- II. Review: LISTEN ATTENTIVELY TO THE WORD WITH A PREPARED HEART SO THAT YOU MIGHT UNDERSTAND: The people listened intently with reverent hearts (3-6)
- III. ALLOW HIS TEACHERS TO MAKE KNOWN HIS WORD TO YOU and your understanding will result in holy conviction and then great joy: The Levites explained the Word and the people understood, were convicted and greatly rejoiced (7-12)
  - A. The Levites explained the Law to the people while they remained in place (7-8)
    - 1. Explained from the Word read (7-8a)
    - 2. Explained to put in place insight (8)
    - 3. Explained that they understand the reading (8b)
  - B. The result was a genuine understanding that led to a holy conviction and then joy (9-12)
    - 1. Godly leaders redirected their holy conviction to holy Joy (9-11)
    - 2. They went away rejoicing and to rejoice because they understood the Word that was made know to them (12)

(Next week)

IV. SET YOUR HEART TO OBEY WHAT YOU HAVE LEARNED/UNDERSTOOD and then obey (13-18)