

Ezra 1-6

Return under Zerubbabel (536 BC)

- A. Decree of Cyrus 1:1-4
- B. Zerubbabel the leader 1:8, 2:2
- C. Names & Number of remnant 2:3-6:5
- D. Sacred vessels & gifts 1:6-11, 2:68-70
- E. Coming to Jerusalem 3:1
- F. Prophets: Haggai, Zechariah 5:1 – 6:14
- G. Main outcome – Temple rebuilt 6:15-22

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Return under Ezra (456 BC)

- A. Decree of Artaxerxes 7:1, 11-26
- B. Ezra, scribes, leaders 7:1-10
- C. Names & Number 8:1-20
- D. Coming to Jerusalem 8:32
- E. Ezra intercessor 9:1-15
- F. Main outcome – People holy 10:1-4

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70 Years (605 – 535 BC)

- 605, 597, 586
- 5 months travel; Babylon to Jerusalem
- Assyria, Babylon, Medes/Persians (Cyrus)
- Greeks, Romans

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Spiritual Truths

- A. 7:10
- B. 3:1-6 Alter rebuilt but foundation not
- C. 1:1 God runs the universe – Cyrus, offering, vessels
- D. 3:8, 10 Temple work began
- E. 3:10-13 Hard times
- F. 4:1-5 Enemies appear
- G. 5:1 Prophet affects
- H. 8:21-23 Dependence on God
- I. 9:2-4, 10-12 Separation