

Text Messaging Ezra 9

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Tackling pollution

What is the pollution problem in Jerusalem in 548BC?



Who has led the way in this pollution? v2



Why is intermarriage with the surrounding peoples a problem?

What has prompted the leaders to speak to Ezra? See Ezra 7:10

What does Ezra do when he hears what has happened?

1. A _____ G _____ (6-7, 10-12)

What things would you describe as 'appalling'?



What should we be more appalled at?

How does Ezra begin his prayer? v6

According to Ezra (v7) why did the exile happen?



What had God commanded Israel before entering Canaan... and why?



What can draw us today away from holiness and faithfulness to God?

2. A _____ G _____ (8-9, 13-15)

Grace

How has God been gracious? vv8-9

What does Ezra say about God in v13?

What would God be justified in doing? v14

Essentially what is Ezra doing in this prayer?



What will make us more appreciative of God's amazing grace?

What does Paul thank God in 1 Timothy 1:12-17?

What was Martin Luther's 1st thesis?

Why should we worship and serve God?

