

**Berean Christian Church**  
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**Bible Study**

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**Go Get Your Joy**

**Nehemiah 8:10-18**

II John 1:4 reads, *“How happy I was to meet some of your children and find them living according to the truth, just as the Father commanded.”* (NLT) This verse records the emotion one writer experienced about what he saw displayed by a group of people. Rarely, if ever, will one activity bring pleasure to every individual. However, all Christians should seek to find joy in godly endeavors. This lesson is designed to share how the Word of God can be utilized to help believers live a joyous life.

**Breakdown of Nehemiah Chapter 8**

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| 1. The <b>Unification</b> _____ among the People | <b>Verse 1</b>     |
| 2. The <b>Communication</b> _____ to the People  | <b>Verses 2-8</b>  |
| 3. The <b>Jubilation</b> _____ for the People    | <b>Verses 9-18</b> |

1. **Requesting** \_\_\_\_\_ the Word of God can lead to believers living a joyous life.  
**Verse 1**  
*“In October, when the Israelites had settled in their towns, 8:1 all the people assembled with a unified purpose at the square just inside the Water Gate. They asked Ezra the scribe to bring out the Book of the Law of Moses, which the LORD had given for Israel to obey.”* (NLT)
  
2. **Receiving** \_\_\_\_\_ the Word of God can lead to believers living a joyous life.  
**Verses 2, 3**  
*“So on October 8 Ezra the priest brought the Book of the Law before the assembly, which included the men and women and all the children old enough to understand. 3) He faced the square just inside the Water Gate from early morning until noon and read aloud to everyone who could understand. All the people listened closely to the Book of the Law.”* (NLT)
  
3. **Reverencing** \_\_\_\_\_ the Word of God can lead to believers living a joyous life.  
**Verses 5, 6**  
*“Ezra stood on the platform in full view of all the people. When they saw him open the book, they all rose to their feet. 6) Then Ezra praised the LORD, the great God, and all the people chanted, “Amen! Amen!” as they lifted their hands. Then they bowed down and worshiped the LORD with their faces to the ground.”* (NLT)

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