



Today's Topic:

Gathering as One

Ezra 3:1-3

November 9, 2025

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“When the seventh month came and the Israelites had settled in their towns, the people assembled together as one in Jerusalem.” Ezra 3:1 (NIV, 2011)

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*“Despite their fear of the peoples around them, they built the altar on its foundation and sacrificed burnt offerings on it to the LORD, both the morning and evening sacrifices.”
Ezra 3:3 (NIV, 2011)*

3. _____

*“Then in accordance with what is written, they celebrated the Festival of Tabernacles with the required number of burnt offerings prescribed for each day.”
Ezra 3:4 (NIV, 2011)*

The Point

Next Steps:

Discussion Questions:

1. Describe a time when you have joined with others to achieve something meaningful
2. Read Ezra 3:1 and Leviticus 23:41-43. Why was the seventh month a significant time for the people to “assemble together as one”?
3. Read Ezra 3:2-3 and Deuteronomy 12:8-14. Why was it important that the people gathered in one designated place to make their sacrifices?
4. How are the sacrifices of ancient Judah and our “sacrifices” similar? How are they different?
5. Read Ezra 3:4 and Numbers 29:12-20. Why were so many sacrifices required for this week-long celebration?
6. What might this passage tell us about the importance of gathering and worshiping together on a regular basis?