



### **Part 1—The Word of the Lord**

Read Zechariah 1:1; Ezra 4:24-5:1; 2 Timothy 3:15-17

- 1) According to Ezra 4 why did God raise up Zechariah the prophet?
- 2) According to 2 Timothy 3 what are the benefits of knowing the Word of God (scriptures)?
- 3) How did the people need the Word of the Lord and how is our need similar today?

### **Part 2—Time to Return**

Read Zechariah 1:2-3; James 4:8

- 1) According to Zechariah 1:3 what does God desire?
- 2) According to James 4:8 how does our direction affect God's direction?
- 3) How often do you think Christians need to turn to the Lord? Why?

### **Part 3—A Lesson from the Past**

Read Zechariah 1:2-4; Jeremiah 44:1-6

- 1) Why was God "sore displeased" with the previous generations?
- 2) According to Jeremiah 44 why did God pour out His fury on the people and destroy Jerusalem?
- 3) What practical ways can you ensure that you don't make the same mistakes of these former generations?

### **Part 4—Just Like He Said**

Read Zechariah 1:5-6; 2 Peter 3:8-11

- 1) What does history reveal about God's Words according to Zechariah 1:5-6?
- 2) According to 2 Peter 3 how should we view the Word (promises) of God?
- 3) How did the people respond to Zechariah's message? How is this an example to us?

