

**When Considering A Building Project (or A Project of Any Kind),
Take A Lesson From ... NEHEMIAH
(Nehemiah 8:1-8) pt 3**

I. THE RECONSTRUCTION OF THE WALLS (Nehemiah 1-7)

II. THE REINSTRUCTION OF THE PEOPLE (Nehemiah 8-9)

A. The ELEMENTS of the REVIVAL at the Water Gate. (Nehemiah 8 :1-8)

1. It started with a man with a spiritual mindset named _____ (Ezra 7:6-10)
2. It involved a willingness by the people to _____ to hear the WOG. (8:1a)
3. It involved the _____ to meet together. (8:1b)
4. It involved the people wanting to hear the _____, and in particular _____.
(8:1c -2)
5. It involved the public _____ of the Word of God. (8:3a)
6. It involved the people _____ to the reading of the Scriptures for the purpose of _____ them. (8:3b)
7. It involved appropriate _____ for the effective reading and teaching of the Word of God. (8:4)
8. It included great _____ for God's Word. (8:5)
9. It involved immediate _____ to the Word of God by the people. (8:6)
10. It involved the _____ of the Word of God. (8:7-8)

- What did this teaching consist of?

- What did this teaching initially result in?

- What is "expository preaching"?

"Expository preaching is the _____ of biblical _____, derived from and transmitted through a _____, _____, and _____, study of a passage in its _____, which the _____ first applies to the personality and experience of the _____, and then through him to his _____." (Haddon Robinson – BIBLICAL PREACHING)

The following minimal elements identify expository preaching:

1. The message finds its _____.
2. The message is _____ from _____ through careful _____.
3. The message preparation correctly _____ in its _____ & _____.
4. The message clearly explains the _____ of Scripture.
5. The message _____ the Scriptural _____ for _____.

• Why is “expository preaching” so needed in the church today?

- 1) Because _____ and _____ abound in pulpit and pew today.
- 2) Because it encourages _____ and _____ by consistently _____ verses within their _____.
- 3) Because it serves to maintain the ongoing and repeated _____ of the WOG.
- 4) Because it allows the hearers to _____ and _____ the Bible at a _____ without having to recreate the teacher’s sermon.
- 5) Because it forces the preacher to teach _____ instead of _____ certain subjects or _____ passages.
- 6) Because it honors the Bible as the _____.

• How does all of this apply to DBC?

• How does all of this apply to you?