

# Kingdom of God Flashcards

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## **Part Five: The Period of Theocratic Transition**

### **Chapter 44: The Covenant People Returns to Its Land**

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<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 44</p> <p><b>Who is the author of Ezra and Nehemiah?</b></p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>Ezra and Nehemiah was merged into one book</p> <p>Higher Critics = hold Chronicles, Ezra &amp; Nehemiah written by one author</p> <p>Nehemiah wrote Book of Nehemiah</p> <p>Ezra = priest (not prophet) Nehemiah = Persian court official (not prophet)</p>
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 44</p> <p><b>When were the books of Ezra &amp; Nehemiah written?</b></p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>about the middle of the 5th century BC</p> <p>books belong in the historical books of the Writings</p>
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 44</p> <p><b>What is the purpose of Ezra &amp; Nehemiah?</b></p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) development of God's kingdom (the coming of Christ)</li><li>2) to show how God re-established His people guiding their lives by His Law-Word</li></ol>

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<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 44</p> <p><b>Who led some of God's people back to Judah &amp; Jerusalem?</b></p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>Zerubbabel led about 50,000 in 536 BC</p> <p>many did not want to leave their homes &amp; businesses in the land of their captivity</p>
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 44</p> <p><b>Why did the Samaritans become the enemies of God's people?</b></p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>God's people did not want those working on the temple that did not serve God</p> <p>The Samaritans were so successful that work on the temple stopped</p>
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 44</p> <p><b>Who stirred up the people when work on the temple stopped?</b></p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>God's prophets ...</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) Haggai</li><li>2) Zechariah</li></ol>
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 44</p> <p><b>Under what king's reign was the temple begun?</b></p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>Darius</p>

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<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 44</p> <p><b>When was the temple completed &amp; dedicated?</b></p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>temple completed &amp; dedicated = 515 BC</p>
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 44</p> <p><b>What was different this time?</b></p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>1) no theocratic king ruling Jerusalem 2) land under humanistic control 3) God did not fill the most holy place when the temple was dedicated</p> <p>Why? The Kingdom was to move forward &amp; to prepare for Christ, the true King</p>
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 44</p> <p><b>What did the letter of King Arataxerxes say?</b></p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>it ordered that all treasures in that part of his kingdom were to be returned</p> <p>Ezra was to be given what was needed to worship God</p>
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 44</p> <p><b>How did Ezra respond to God's people marrying humanists?</b></p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>Ezra was horrified</p> <p>After fasting &amp; prayer, Ezra completely separated God's people from humanistic spouses</p>

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<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 44</p> <p><b>Why was Nehemiah sent by the king to Jerusalem?</b></p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>Nehemiah fasted and prayed for Jerusalem</p> <p>The Persian king learned why Nehemiah was sad and sent him to Jerusalem</p>
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 44</p> <p><b>Why did Nehemiah want to restore Jerusalem's walls?</b></p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<p>to protect God's people from their enemies</p>
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 44</p> <p><b>Why did Ezra read &amp; explain the Law to the people?</b></p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) to help restore justice</li><li>2) to help the people to understand their duty before God</li></ol>
<p>Kingdom of God Chapter 44</p> <p><b>What two events took place after the reading of the Law?</b></p> <p>© Beverly Schmitt, all rights reserved</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) Feast of Tabernacles restored &amp; celebrated</li><li>2) full scale confession of sins with a renewal of their covenant with God</li></ol>

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**Why did Nehemiah return  
from Persia to Jerusalem  
again?**

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- 1) the people had broken covenant promises
- 2) Tobiah, humanistic leader,  
given a place of honor
- 3) Sabbath being broken
- 4) no offerings brought to God