

Weekly Discipleship Plan (Week of June 7 – 13, 2026)

Catechism Question: (2/4)

Children's Catechism

Q. 35. What effect had the sin of Adam on all mankind?

A. All mankind are born in a state of sin and misery.

Q. 36. What is that sinful nature which we inherit from Adam called?

A. Original sin.

Shorter Catechism

Q44. What does the introduction to the ten commandments teach us?

The introduction to the ten commandments teaches us that, because God is Lord and is our God and redeemer, we must keep all His commandments.

Q45. What is the first commandment?

The first commandment is: You shall have no other gods before me.

Scripture Memory:

1John 1:7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus his Son cleanses us from all sin. **1:8** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. **1:9** If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Key: Ezra (as priest & scribe) & Nehemiah (as governor) are two separate accounts of God's unified message concerning the singular event of the Jews return from Babylon to Jerusalem.

DAILY DEVOTIONS

Day 1 (Sunday June 7)

Reading: Ezra 6 & Nehemiah 6

Questions:

- What work was finished in Ezra 6? What secular means did God use to see to its completion?
- What work was finished in Nehemiah 6? What tactic did Israel's enemies attempt to stop its completion? What was Nehemiah's prayer regarding these enemies?

Prayer for: For the church planting movement here, and in Mexico.

Day 2 - Monday

Reading: Nehemiah 7

Questions:

- With the wall complete & the Levites appointed, what situation yet remained in Jerusalem?
- What did Nehemiah do in response this situation / problem? Where did he get the idea?
- What does v. 6 and v. 73 tell us about where the returned exiles were living? Why do you think they returned there?

Prayer for: Matt 6 – That God supply our daily physical and spiritual needs

Day 3 - Tuesday

Reading: Ezra 7 & Nehemiah 8

Questions:

- What significant person does Nehemiah 8 mention? What did the people ask him to do?
- What does Ezra 7:10 say was (one of) Ezra's main goals for Israel? What was his motivation?
- What command did Nehemiah (8:9) & Ezra give regarding Ezra's reading of the law? Why?

Prayer for: Eph 3: 10 – for God's wisdom be shown to all, through His church

Day 4 - Wednesday

Reading: Ezra 8 & Nehemiah 10

Questions:

- What was the finding of Ezra's genealogy? (8: 1 – 17)
- What was the stated purpose of Nehemiah's genealogy? (9:38 – 10:27)
- Why would the presence of Levites and priests in Jerusalem and Israel be important?

Prayer for: Col 1:9 - To be filled with a knowledge of God's will, and obey Him in spiritual wisdom and understanding.

Day 5 - Thursday

Reading: Ezra 9 & Nehemiah 9

Questions:

- What problem did Ezra (by means of the Israelite "officials") identify in the people and even the priests and Levites?
- What righteous acts by the people does Nehemiah record in 9: 1 – 3 ?
- What trait(s) of God does Neh 9: 6-15 give us? How would this motivate confession of sin?

Prayer for: Prov 3: 5-6 – To trust in God with all our heart, and not rely on our understanding, alone.

Day 6 - Friday

Reading: Ezra 10

Questions:

- As a result of Ezra's prayer of confession, what covenant / oath did certain people ask Ezra to lead them in making?
- What proclamation was sent throughout Jerusalem and Judah?
- What problem did Ezra identify among the people and priests? What response(s) did he call for by the people? What was the people's answer / response?

Prayer for: John 4:24 That God help us worship Him in spirit and truth,

Day 7 - Saturday

Reading: Nehemiah 11

Questions:

- How was the "problem" / situation of Neh. 7: 6 and 73 resolved?
- What information does 11: 3 – 24 provide?
- What information does 11: 25 – 36 provide?

Prayer for: To gain a deeper understanding of what it means to be "in Christ."