



# A New Hope

## Ezra 3:6-13

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### The Moment 3:6,7

1. How is the book of Ezra/Nehemiah related to the book of Chronicles?
2. What do the events leading up to the laying of the foundation reveal about God?

### The Kinsmen 3:8,9

1. Who was Zerubbabel? Who was Jeshua? Who were all their kinsmen? What is their significance to the account?
2. How does God show Himself faithful through them?

### The Declaration 3:10,11

1. What does the people's declaration help you to understand about God?
2. How has God demonstrated His goodness and steadfast love towards you?

### The Response 3:12,13

1. How did the people respond to the foundation that was laid? Why?
2. What does the people's response reveal about their understanding and expectations of God?
3. If you could step back in time to be there as God's people responded, what would you tell them?

### Processing all that...

1. What personally challenges you in these verses?
2. What does God want to rebuild in your life?
3. What would that take? What would that be like?
4. Read and consider Haggai 1:13. These days, what might the simple statement, "*I am with you.*" mean to you?
5. How does this statement impact your life?

### Bonus Question:

1. If not your life, what might God be calling you to rebuild?