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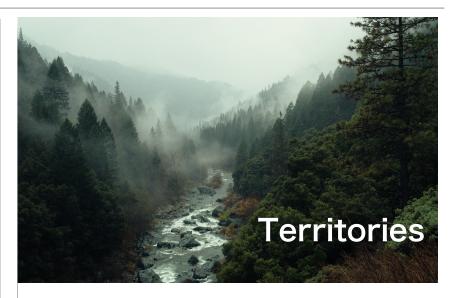
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Ezra 3

10 When the builders laid the foundation of the temple of the Lord, the priests in their vestments and with trumpets, and the Levites (the sons of Asaph) with cymbals, took their places to praise the Lord, as prescribed by David king of Israel. 11 With praise and thanksgiving they sang to the Lord: "He is good;

his love toward Israel endures forever."And all the people gave a great shout of praise to the Lord, because the foundation of the house of the Lord was laid. 12 But many of the older priests and Levites and family heads, who had seen the former temple, wept aloud when they saw the foundation of this temple being laid, while many others shouted for joy. 13 No one could distinguish the sound of the shouts of joy from the sound of weeping, because the people made so much noise. And the sound was heard far away.



Questions for Discussion

- 1. Read Ezra 3:10-13.
- 2. What happens in this text? Why is it important?
- 3. Why did the young people and the old people react differently to the rebuilding of the Temple?
- 4. Why might an older generation celebrate the opening of a house of worship?
- 5. Why is it important for the church to take part in the spiritual and physical expansion of God's kingdom on the earth?
- 6. How have you experienced God setting you free?

Take time to pray for one another.