



ENCOURAGEMENT FROM THE OUTSIDE

EZRA 1:1-8

HE RECOGNIZED GOD'S SUPERIORITY

vv. 2, 3

- He Saw God As God

– *“The God of Heaven”*

1ST KINGS 20:23; 1ST SAM. 4:8; 2ND KINGS 19:13-19

– *An Exceptional Position!*

EXOD. 5:1, 2; DAN. 4:37

HE RECOGNIZED GOD'S SUPERIORITY

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- We Need Leaders Like This!

– *For This We Should Pray*

1ST TIMOTHY 2:1, 2

– *We Should Seek Such*

TITUS 1:6-9; HEBREW 13:17

HE OBEYED GOD'S COMMAND

vv. 2, 3

- The Command to Build God's House
 - *He Reveals The Command*
v. 1; 2nd CHRON. 36:22; ISA. 44:28
 - *He Allowed And Promoted It*
vv. 2, 3

HE OBEYED GOD'S COMMAND

vv. 2, 3

- We Need Leaders Like This!
 - *Leaders Who Will Do God's Will*
1ST PET. 2:14; ROM. 13:4
 - *Leaders Who Strengthen God's House*
TITUS 1:6-9; EPH. 4:11, 12

HE EXHORTED THE FAITHFUL

v. 3

- Those Who Were God's People
 - *A Challenge to the Faithful*
 - *An Exhortation To Rebuild*
- We Need Leaders Like This!
 - *Exhorting the Faithful To Show Themselves*
 - *Exhorting the People to Return and to Build*

PROV. 14:34

HE ENCOURAGED SUPPORT

- Help and Support For God's People

- *With Material Support*

v. 4

- *Returning the Temple Items!*

vv. 7, 8

HE ENCOURAGED SUPPORT

- We Need Leaders Like This!
 - *Encouraging Support of God's People*
 - *Leading By Example*

2ND CHRON. 28:19

