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May is a month of change. From shifting weather patterns to shifting rhythms in our own lives, the atmosphere reminds us that nothing stays the same forever. Bro. Terrance testified this past Sunday about the guarantees of change how we can resist it, delay it, or fear it, but we cannot stop it. Change is inevitable, but growth is not optional. And spiritual growth always begins with a prepared heart.

Ezra 7:10 tells us, "For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the law of the Lord, and to do it, and to teach..." Ezra stepped into a nation that had survived seventy years of captivity. Their world had collapsed, their identity had been shaken, and their faith had been tested. Yet God was not finished with them. He was leading them into a season of rebuilding, restoring, and renewing but it required hearts

ready to respond.

This same pattern plays out in our lives. We, too, walk through seasons that feel like Babylonian times when fear, regret, wounds, or old habits hold us captive. But the God who stirred Cyrus,

strengthened Zerubbabel, anointed Ezra, and emboldened Nehemiah is still calling His people out of captivity today. He leads us step by step: rebuilding what was broken, resetting what drifted, and raising us up into renewed purpose.

The question is not whether God is ready to restore. The question is whether our hearts are prepared to receive what He desires to do.

Let this be your prayer: "Lord, rebuild my foundation. Restore my heart. Protect my future. Prepare my spirit for what You are doing next."

Change is guaranteed but transformation belongs to those who prepare their hearts. May we stand like Ezra, ready for God to work, ready for God to speak, and ready for God to lead us into freedom and promise.



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