

# Restoring God's Law Class Notes Answer Key

Print one Answer Key to use as a reference during the lesson to help students fill out their class notes.

## PART 1

1. Who was the king in Ezra's day? *King Artaxerxes of Persia.*
2. How did Ezra describe himself in verses 6 and 11? *He was a scribe, a priest, and an expert in the words of the commandments of the Lord.*
3. What important information do we learn about Ezra in verse 10? *He had prepared his heart to seek and do the Law of the Lord so that he could teach the people of Israel to obey God.*
4. What was to be taken to Jerusalem? *Silver and gold along with other things offered freely by the people.*
5. What different names are given for God in the king's letter? *God of Israel, God of Jerusalem, the God of Heaven, God, your God.*

6. What phrase is repeated again in verse 28? *God's hand was upon Ezra.*

## PART 2

7. Where was Ezra during his prayer? *He was in front of the Temple.*
8. Who spoke on behalf of the people? *Shechaniah.*
9. What was Shechaniah's plan for restoration? *He proposed that they make a covenant with God to divorce the pagan wives. He also suggested that Ezra administer the process.*
10. How did Ezra respond to this proposal? *He agreed with it, and there was a call for the men of Judah and Benjamin to assemble in three days at Jerusalem.*
11. What does the amount of mourning, fasting, and weeping indicate about the response of the Jews to their sin? *They must have been truly broken for violating God's Law, and their outward reactions were expressions of that inward grief for sin.*