

DEDICATED TO GOD & HIS WORD

Nehemiah 8

"Sanctify them
by the Truth.
Your Word is Truth"
John 17:17

I. Introduction

II. A life devoted to God, among other things, involves devotion to His Word.

A. The Word of God is one of the most important ingredients in our walk with the Lord.

B. If you want to know God, you must know the Word of God – there's no way out of this.

III. Our attitude toward the Word of God is something the Bible says a lot about.

A. We should desire to be instructed by the Word.

B. We should desire to correctly divide and use His Word.

C. We should desire to obey His Word.

D. We should long for His Word.

IV. In Nehemiah 8, we have an example of a people who discovered the Word of God in their lives and their response to it.

A. The historical background to this chapter.

B. Everyone who could understand was there to hear the Word of God. 3

C. The people's attitude toward the Word of God.

D. The people's response to the Word. 9-12

V. The many effects the Word will have in our lives if we'll make it a point to read and study it regularly.

A. First, It makes us strong.

B. Second, It assures us of our salvation.

C. Third, It gives us confidence and power in prayer.

D. Fourth, It cleanses us from sin.

E. Fifth, It gives us joy.

F. Sixth, It gives us peace.

G. Seventh, It guides us in making decisions.

H. Eighth, It will give us success in the things of God.

I. Ninth, Coupled with prayer, it gives us some unbeatable weapons in our war against Satan and the forces of darkness.

VI. Conclusion