



July 26, 2020 - Restoring Worship
Ezra 3 - Mark Mitchell

1. How are you experiencing worship during this pandemic? What is your biggest challenge? What have you learned that has pleasantly surprised you?

Read Ezra 3.

2. The Israelites had just returned home to Jerusalem. What do you see in these verses that express their priority of worship? How might you rearrange your priorities to make worship number one?
3. What boundaries do you see laid out for proper worship by the Israelites? How do these boundaries listed in Ezra 3 apply to your worship today? (see also, John 4:23-24; 1 Peter 2:5; Hebrews 13: 15-16)
4. At CPC, we focus our worship with this definition: **Our God-glorifying response to who He is and what He has done.** What examples of this do you see in the

Israelites worship in Chapter 3? Mark quoted J.I. Packer when he said, “God is resolved to hold you.” What does a truth like that mean to you personally?

5. What impediment to worship do we see in chapter 3? What impedes your own worship? If you are older do you relate to what Mark said about the danger of living in the past and therefore lacking gratitude and joy in what God is doing in the present?
6. Share with your group a positive next step to restore worship to its proper place in your life?