* **…Clearly Understands And APPLIES God’s Word Personally.**

***7****The Levites—****instructed the people*** *in the Law while the people were standing there.****8****They read from the Book of the Law of God, making it clearand giving the meaning so that the* ***people understood what was being read****.* Nehemiah 8:7-8

***16****All Scripture is* ***God-breathed****and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness,****17****so that the servant of Godmay be thoroughly equipped for every good work.* 2 Tim 3:16-17

**KEY:** Do you believe [revere / Authoritative] the Bible is God-Breathed?

**Verbal Plenary Inspiration** mean is that all the words, forms of words, combination of words, and wording in the Bible are God’s divine intention for Scripture. This applies to the original manuscripts – not our modern translations today – though trustworthy.

**KEY: Apply proper hermeneutics** (interpretation & application) **of Bible.**

**Biblical hermeneutics** is the study of the principles and methods of interpreting the text of the Bible: Literally, Historically, Grammatically, Contextually and letting Scripture interpret Scripture.

*Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a worker who does not need to be ashamed and who* ***correctly handles*** *the word of truth.*

 2 Timothy 2:15

* **…Leads Us To JOY.**

***9****Then Nehemiah the governor, Ezra the priest and teacher of the Law, and the Levites who were instructing the people said to them all, “This day is holy to the Lord your God. Do not mourn or weep.” For all the* ***people had been weeping as they listened*** *to the words of the Law.* ***11****The Levites calmed all the people, saying, “****Be still, for this is a holy day. Do not grieve.”*** Nehemiah 8:10-11

***12****Then all the people went away to eat and drink, to send portions of food and to* ***celebrate with great joy, because they now understood*** *the words that had been made known to them.* Nehemiah 8:12

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**“A Pathway To Revival…”**

* **…Begins With Taking Time To HEAR God’s Word.**

***73*** *When the seventh month came and the Israelites had settled in their towns,* ***8 1****all the* ***people came together as one*** *in the square before the Water Gate. They told* ***Ezra*** *the teacher of the Law to bring out the* ***Book of the Law of Moses****, which the Lord had commanded for Israel.* Nehemiah 7:73-8:1

***2****So on the first day of the seventh month Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, which was made up of men and women and all who were able to understand.****3****He read it aloud from* ***daybreak till noon*** *as he faced the square before the Water Gate in the presence of the men, women and others who could understand. And all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law.* Nehemiah 8:2-3

* **…Receives God’s WORD With Reverence.**

***4****Ezra the teacher of the Law stood on a high wooden platform built for the occasion…****5****Ezra opened the book. All the people could see him because he was standing above them; and as he opened it, the people all stood up.****6****Ezra praised the Lord, the great God; and all the people lifted their hands and responded, “Amen! Amen!” Then they bowed down and* ***worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground.*** Nehemiah 8:4-6

*Now the serpent was more crafty than any of the wild animals the Lord*

*God had made. He said to the woman,* ***“Did God really say,*** *‘You must not eat from any tree in the garden’?”* ***2****The woman said to the serpent, “We may eat fruit from the trees in the garden,****3****but God did say, ‘You must not eat… and you must not touch it, or you will die.’”* ***4“You will not certainly die,”*** *the serpent said to the woman.****5****“For God knows that when you eat from it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.”* Genesis 3:1-5

*Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves.* ***Do what it says****.*  James 1:22

Nehemiah 8:2-3