

Reading and understanding the Word of God brings holiness and joy!

# I. An Intellectual Response

• Ezra did not force the Word of God on the people. It was the people who wanted the Word read to them.

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- Our churches today have a desperate need in their public services to show more respect for the Word of God.
- Are you prepared to hear from God?

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God wants understanding to come from His Word.

### II. An Emotional Response

 Reading the Word of God in a way that leads to understanding brings joy!

# III. A Deliberate Response

• The Feast of the Booths was a celebration of God's protective care during the 40-year period in the wilderness between Egypt and Canaan when the Israelites lived in tents. (Leviticus 23:33-43)

Learning from Nehemiah 8

Revival will occur if we obey God's Word and confess our sins.