

STUDY NOTES - AUGUST 22, 2021

Sermon Series: "Ezra: The Return"

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Scripture: EZRA 4

- ➤ The trap of compromise (Vs. 1-5)
 - Life lesson: Be aware of compromising issues and stand strong on biblical truth

COMPROMISING ISSUE*	THE TRUTH
Diminished view of the Bible.	The Bible is
2. Feelings inform our opinions.	The truth of Scripture
Essential doctrines need to be updated.	God's Word
Accepting or remaining quiet about immorality is necessary to reach people.	People must become aware of their sin
5. People need to be saved from social injustice.	People need to be

^{*}Issues influenced by apologist Alisa Childers

S.A.L.T. Group questions

- Have someone read Sunday's passage: Ezra 4
 - o What truths stand out to you?
- 1. What are some compromises that modern Christians have struggled with?
- 2. Recall a time when you were tempted to compromise.
 - o If you are comfortable, share the situation with the group.
 - o If you took a stand for biblical truth, what was the result?
- 3. Are there times when it is good to compromise?
 - o Share some examples of good compromise.
 - What is the difference between good compromise and bad compromise?
- 4. As a group, pray together asking God for courage to stand for biblical truth.

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