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Ezra 2:1-70

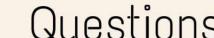




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The List of the Exiles Who Returned

2 Now these are the people of the province who came up from the captivity of the exiles, whom Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon had taken captive to Babylon (they returned to Jerusalem and Judah, each to their own town, 2 in company with Zerubbabel, Joshua, Nehemiah, Seraiah, Reelaiah, Mordecai, Bilshan, Mispar, Bigvai, Rehum Baanah): and

The list of the men of the people of Israel:



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3 the descendants of Parosh 2,172

4 of Shephatiah 372

5 of Arah 775

6 of Pahath-Moab (through the line of Jeshua and Joab)

2,812

7 of Elam 1,254

8 of Zattu 945

9 of Zakkai 760

10 of Bani 642

11 of Bebai 623



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12 of Azgad 1,222

13 of Adonikam 666

14 of Bigvai 2,056

15 of Adin 454

16 of Ater (through Hezekiah) 98

17 of Bezai 323

18 of Jorah 112

19 of Hashum 223

20 of Gibbar 95



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21 the men of Bethlehem 123

22 of Netophah 56

23 of Anathoth 128

24 of Azmaveth 42

25 of Kiriath Jearim,[a] Kephirah and Beeroth 743

26 of Ramah and Geba 621

27 of Mikmash 122

28 of Bethel and Ai 223

29 of Nebo 52

30 of Magbish 156



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31 of the other Elam 1,254

32 of Harim 320

33 of Lod, Hadid and Ono 725

34 of Jericho 345

35 of Senaah 3,630



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36 The priests:

the descendants of Jedaiah (through the family of Jeshua)

973

37 of Immer 1,052

38 of Pashhur 1,247

39 of Harim 1,017

40 The Levites:

the descendants of Jeshua and Kadmiel (of the line of

Hodaviah) 74

41 The musicians:

the descendants of Asaph 128



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- 47 Giddel, Gahar, Reaiah,
- 48 Rezin, Nekoda, Gazzam,
- 49 Uzza, Paseah, Besai,
- 50 Asnah, Meunim, Nephusim,
- 51 Bakbuk, Hakupha, Harhur,
- 52 Bazluth, Mehida, Harsha,
- 53 Barkos, Sisera, Temah,
- 54 Neziah and Hatipha



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55 The descendants of the servants of Solomon:

the descendants of

Sotai, Hassophereth, Peruda,

56 Jaala, Darkon, Giddel,

57 Shephatiah, Hattil,

Pokereth-Hazzebaim and Ami

58 The temple servants and the descendants of the servants of Solomon 392

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59 The following came up from the towns of Tel Melah, Tel Harsha, Kerub, Addon and Immer, but they could not show that their families were descended from Israel:

60 The descendants of

Delaiah, Tobiah and Nekoda 652

61 And from among the priests:

The descendants of

Hobaiah, Hakkoz and Barzillai (a man who had married a daughter of Barzillai the Gileadite and was called by that name).

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62 These searched for their family records, but they could not find them and so were excluded from the priesthood as unclean. 63 The governor ordered them not to eat any of the most sacred food until there was a priest ministering with the Urim and Thummim.

64 The whole company numbered 42,360, 65 besides their 7,337 male and female slaves; and they also had 200 male and female singers. 66 They had 736 horses, 245 mules, 67 435 camels and 6,720 donkeys.

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68 When they arrived at the house of the Lord in Jerusalem, some of the heads of the families gave freewill offerings toward the rebuilding of the house of God on its site. 69 According to their ability they gave to the treasury for this work 61,000 darics[b] of gold, 5,000 minas[c] of silver and 100 priestly garments.

70 The priests, the Levites, the musicians, the gatekeepers and the temple servants settled in their own towns, along with some of the other people, and the rest of the Israelites settled in their towns.

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"As one of God's chosen people, I will respond to His faithfulness in my commitment to worship, serve, and give towards His work."

Who were the Jewish exiles who returned to Judah and who were their leaders (vv. 1-63)? Where did they settle at (v. 70)?



What were some of the challenges faced by those returning to Jerusalem, as mentioned in vv. 64-65?



What did the returnees do when they arrived at the Temple of the LORD in Jerusalem (vv. 68-69)?



Who are God's chosen people?



How does God show His faithfulness to His chosen people? How can this be true for the Israelites when He allowed them to be conquered and exiled to other lands?



What was the significance of giving a sizable amount toward the rebuilding of the Temple as one of the first things the various heads of households did upon arriving in Jerusalem? (vv.68-69)



Are you one of the chosen people of God?



Are you experiencing and submitting to God's faithful discipline in your life? Share your story so that others may learn from it.

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How is your commitment to worship, serve, and give to God?

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Application 3 Questions



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