**“People of the Book”**

**Nehemiah 8:1-18**

**I. A Special Book**

**A) Spiritual Interest**

1) “and the ears of the people were attentive.

2) both adults and all \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ to understand were present to hear the law.

3) all the people were hearing the word of God for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

4) Importance of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Understanding. ex: James 4:1-2

**B) Spiritual Identity**

***We are People of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ … not people of a building***

**C) Spiritual Relationship**

1) They weren’t worshipping a “Book” … worshipping a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ !

2) Note their PARTICIPATION

**II. A Special Day**

**A) Immediate response to the Law = weeping**

**B) Only Answer to the Law = God’s Provision**

**C) A Thirst for More**

1) Call to study

*Everyone is a “theologian” …*

2) Call for Men to Lead

**III. A Special Path**

**A) A New Discovery**

**B) A New Obedience = A New Joy**