

## **BUILD AN ALTAR**

**August 5, 2007 Pastor Larry Burgbacher**

Ezra 2:68-3:6

First Order of Business – Rebuild Altar and Re-establish Worship

I. Worship through **WORSHIP** (2:68-70)

Give Yourself First (Rom. 12:1, 2)

II. Worship in **UNITY** (3:1)

(Matt. 5:23, 24; Ps. 122:1-5; Matt. 18:20)

III. Worship overcomes **FEAR** (3:3)

Henri Nouwen – “The Spirit of God is a creative spirit, always expressing itself in new life. When that spirit is extinguished by fear, we cling to what we have and stop moving and growing.”

As we Worship God, We understand our full and true identity as people of God.

IV. Worship **RECOGNIZES HIS PRESENCE & RELEASE OF HIS POWER**

Feast of Tabernacles

1. Celebration of **HARVEST & GOD’S PROVISION**

2. Commemorated **ISRAEL’S WILDERNESS WANDERING**

- Lived in **TENTS**

- Read **LAW**

- Sacrificed **SIN OFFERINGS**

(John 1:14)

***Let Us Come as “one man” to Worship the Lord***