

Ezra 9 Discussion Questions

What does your prayer life reveal about a) your view of God and b) how you understand yourself?

What is your attitude to God's Word – do you humbly expect God to challenge you and call you to repentance?

How does Ezra respond to the people's sin and his own failure? How does he feel about it? Where does it drive him? How does this compare with our response?

Ezra doesn't come arrogantly demanding or even assuming that God will forgive – he recognises that God owes him nothing. All he can do is humbly cast himself entirely upon God's mercy. In what ways can we presume upon God's grace? How can we guard against arrogant presumption?