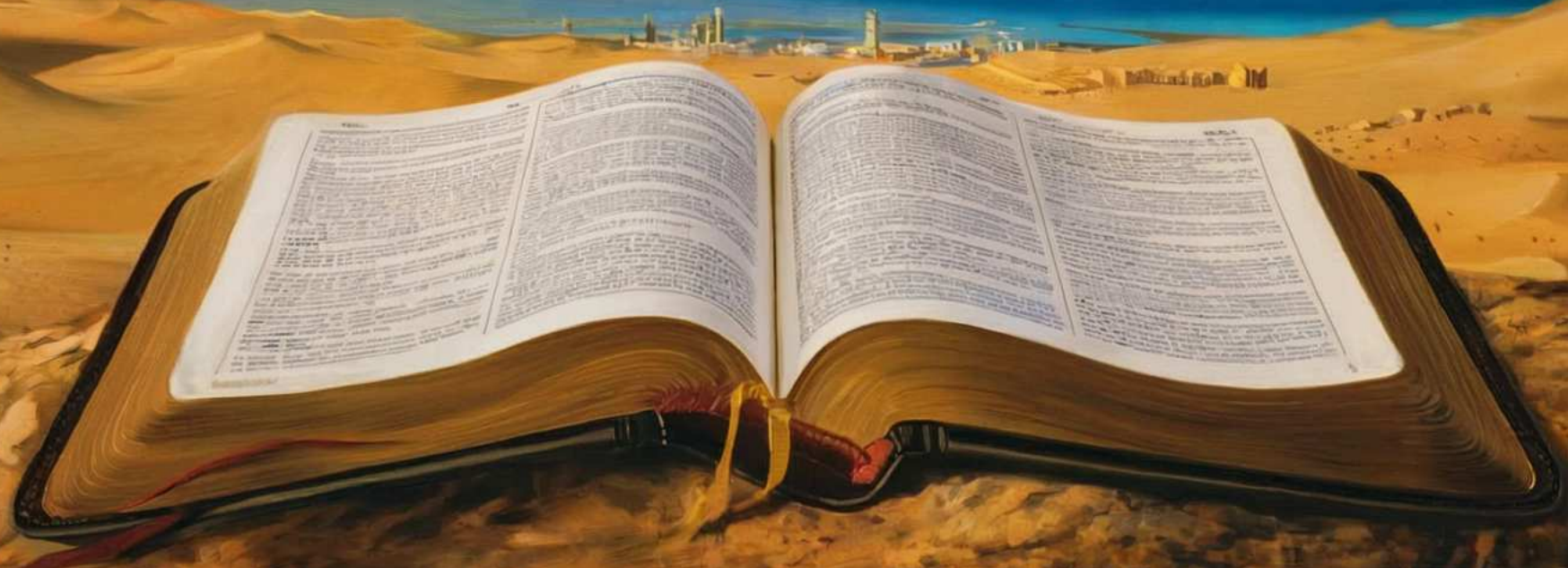


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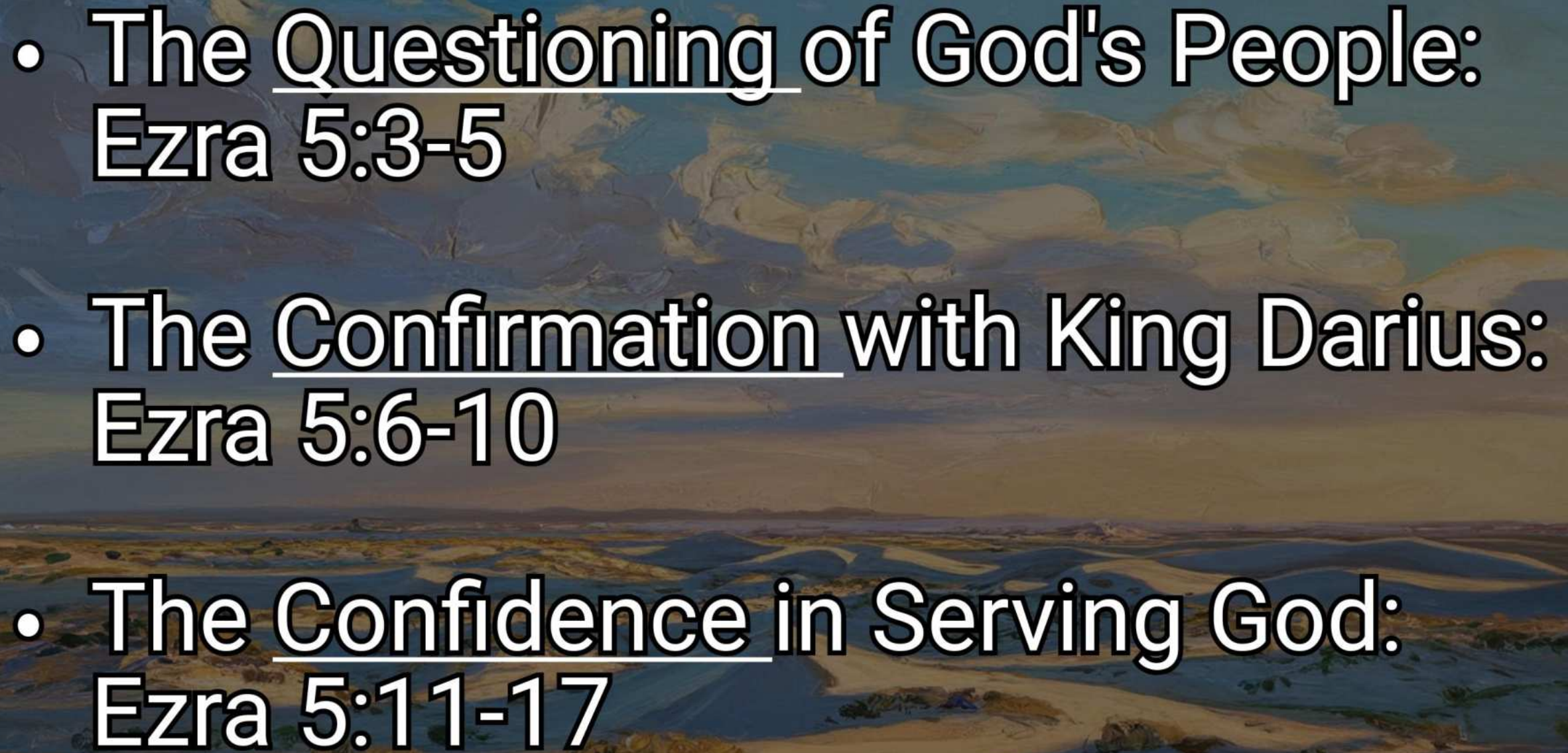
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Observations from Ezra 5:3-17

What is happening in these verses?

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- The Questioning of God's People:
Ezra 5:3-5
 - The Confirmation with King Darius:
Ezra 5:6-10
 - The Confidence in Serving God:
Ezra 5:11-17



Lessons from Ezra 5:3-17

What can we learn (interpret) from these verses?

1. When Faith is Questioned, Respond

When the people of God were questioned, they responded with confidence, standing firm in their faith in the Lord.

Reference verses: 1 Peter 3:15, Philippians 1:27-28, Acts 5:29, Colossians 4:5-6

2. Know that God's "Eye" is Protecting You

God's watchful presence offers protection, guidance, and strength in every situation and season in life.

Reference verses: Proverbs 15:3, 2 Chronicles 16:9, Psalm 33:18, Psalm 32:8, Isaiah 40:10, Deuteronomy 31:6

3. God's Plan Works Even Through Human Authority

God uses human authorities and systems to fulfill His divine purpose, turning challenges into opportunities for His plan.

Reference verses: Romans 8:28, Proverbs 21:1, Daniel 2:21, Isaiah 46:10, Proverbs 19:21, 1 Timothy 2:1-2



Application from Ezra 5:3-17

**How can I apply / live out
these verses?**

1. Stand Firm and Respond When Questioned

Remain rooted in your faith and trust in God's Word, responding with confidence when your faith is challenged.

Reference verses: Philipppians 1:27, James 1:12, Ephesians 6:13-14

2. Trust in God's Protection and Presence

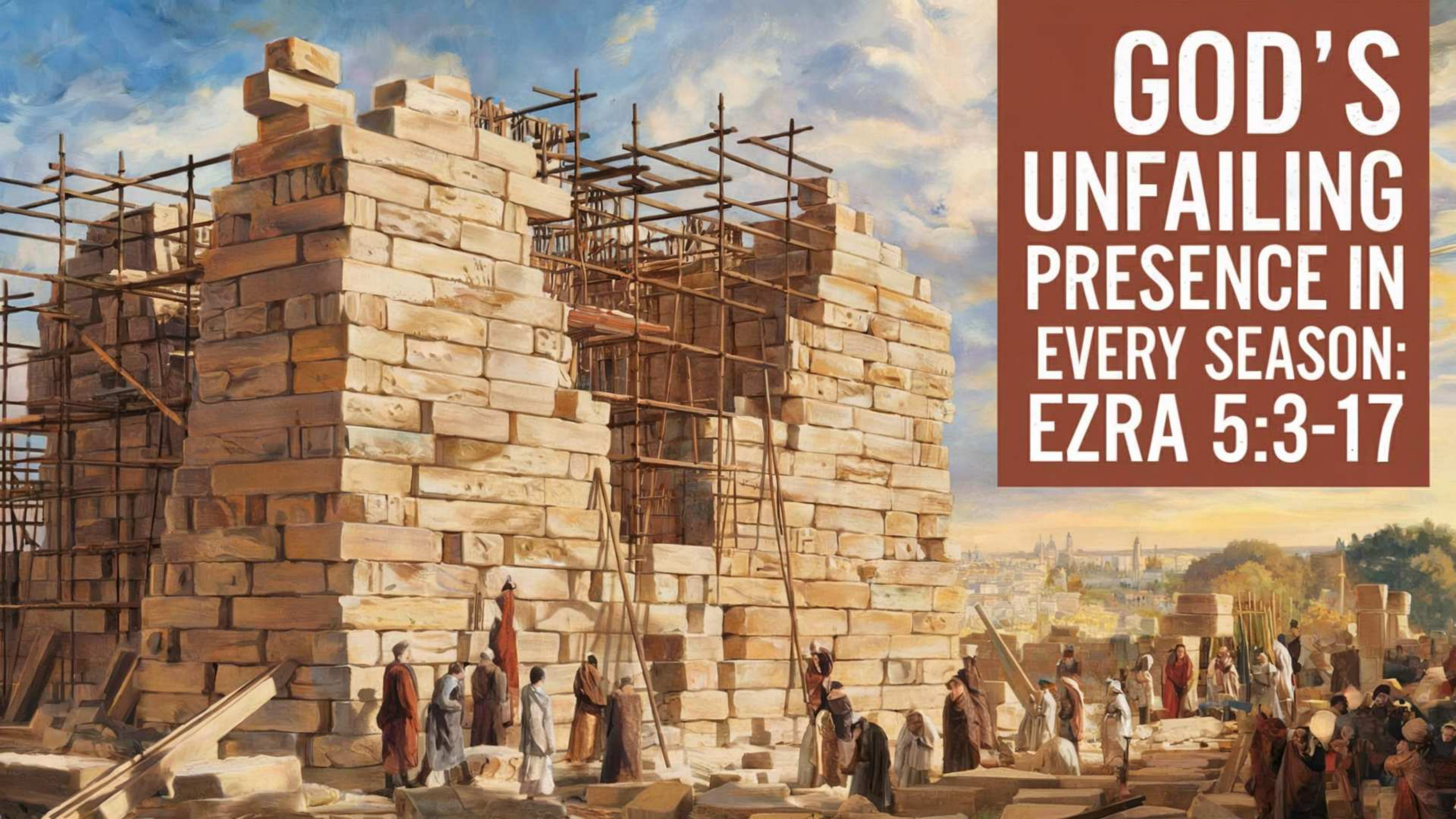
Trust that God is with you in every season, guiding and protecting you, even when the path is unclear.

Reference verses: Isaiah 40:31, Psalm 46:1, Proverbs 18:10

3. Never Stop Growing and Doing Good in Christ

Continue growing in faith and doing good, even during times of opposition or waiting, trusting in God's purpose.

Reference verses: *Galatians 6:9, Hebrews 12:1-2, 2 Peter 3:18, James 1:4, Colossians 1:10*



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A painting of a desert landscape at sunset. The sky is filled with vibrant, textured brushstrokes in shades of blue, orange, and yellow. The sun is a large, glowing orb on the horizon, casting a warm glow over the scene. The foreground is a vast, arid plain with a winding road that leads towards the horizon. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

A detailed oil painting of a desert landscape at sunset. A winding river flows through a rocky, arid plain towards a range of mountains in the distance. The sky is filled with soft, golden light and scattered clouds. The word "BENEDICTION" is written in large, white, serif capital letters across the center of the image.

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