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### *Desire to Know God's Will*

For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the law of the Lord.

No excuse for not knowing the truth -  
2 Timothy 3:16-17 - 2 Timothy 2:15.

Must use every means - Private study - Bible Classes - Worship.

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### *Desire to Obey God's Will*

For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the law of the Lord, and to do it - James 1:22 - Matthew 7:21

Truth must be obeyed - Acts 2.

Sinful to know truth and not obey - James 4:17.

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### *Desired to Teach God's Will*

For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the law of the Lord, and to do it, and to teach in Israel statutes and judgments.

This is the nature of a Christian -  
Matthew 28:18-20

Constant need for Bible teachers and personal workers.

Held accountable to the extent of our abilities.

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If we would follow Ezra's example:

*We could make great strides in our own personal growth.*

*We could make great strides in helping the church grow.*

We can help the church "Thrive in '25."

*Closing Remarks*

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