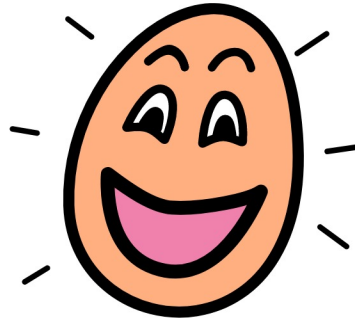


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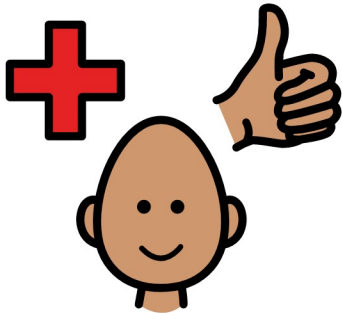
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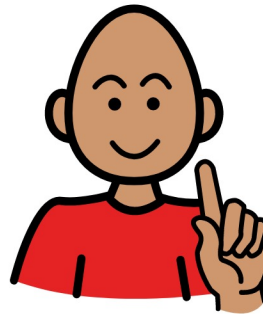
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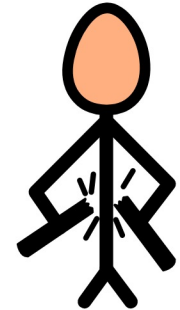
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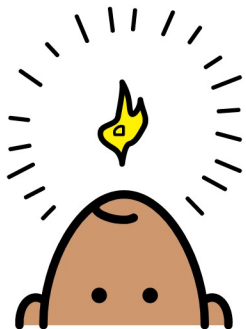
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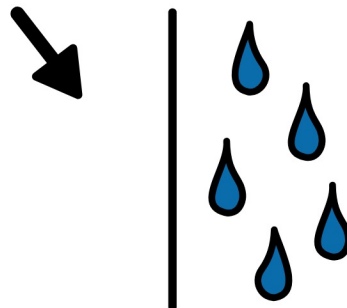
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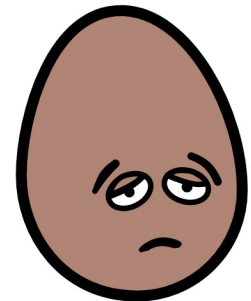
a broken



spirit



dries



you up.



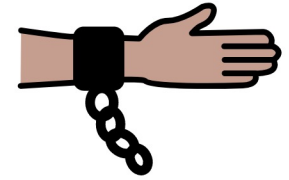
Ezra 3:10-13 (NIrV)



Ezra tells the story of God's people after they returned from



exile in Babylon for 70 years.



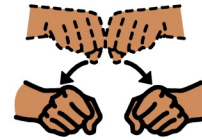
God's people were living as captives in Persia



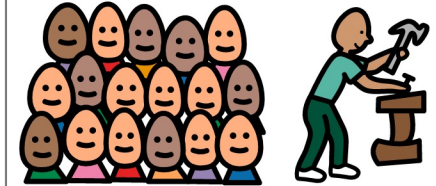
when the new King, Cyrus,



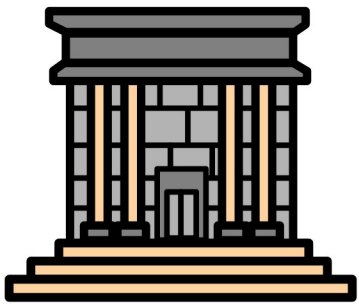
allowed them to return home to Jerusalem.



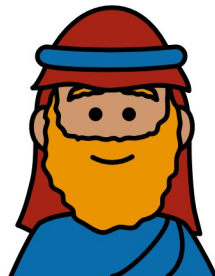
However, when they returned, everything was broken down and destroyed.



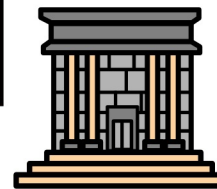
The people got to work rebuilding



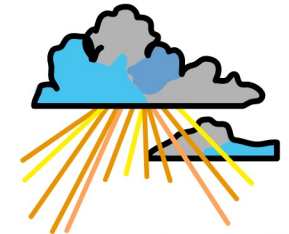
the temple.



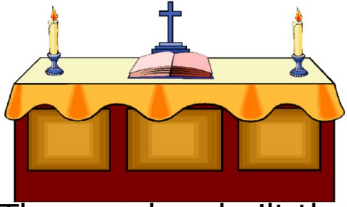
A man named Zerubbabel knew that



the most important thing was to rebuild God's temple first -



the place where God would dwell among them.



The people rebuilt the huge altar first, which was one of the most important parts of the temple.



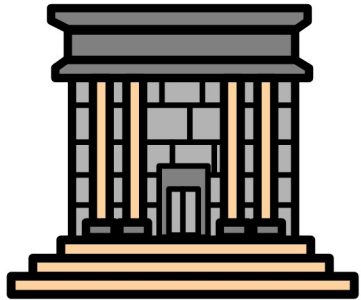
There was so much work to be done.



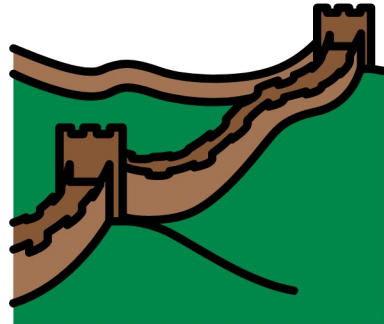
Next, they rebuilt a strong foundation for the temple.



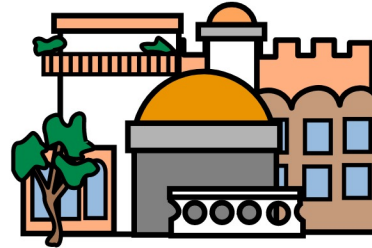
There was still so much more work to do to build



the temple,



the city walls,



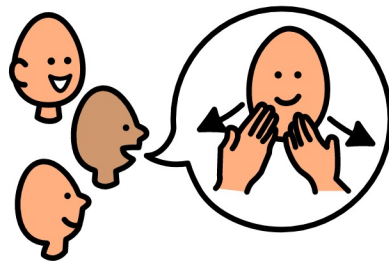
and all of Jerusalem.



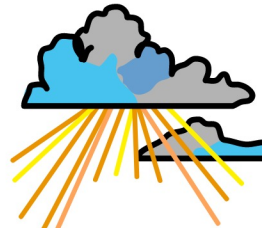
But before they got far,



the people



praised

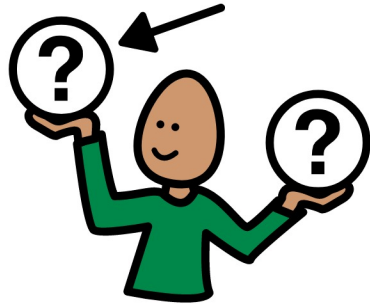


God. They had stopped to worship God and



celebrate the ways God had helped them.

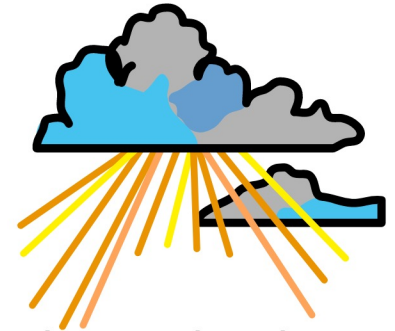
Monthly Virtue ·
Joy



Choosing to



celebrate

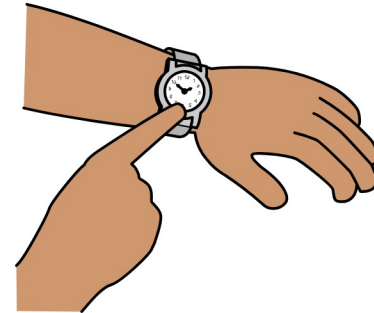


what God is doing.

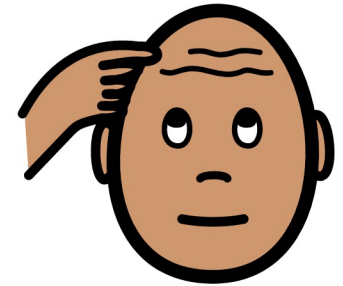
Key Question



What is something

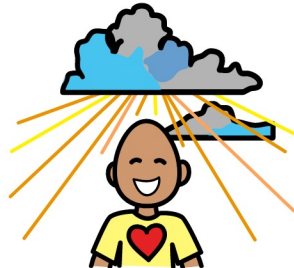


that took longer than

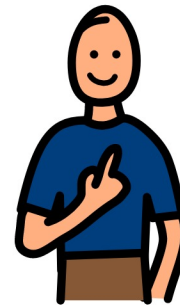


you wanted it to?

Basic Truth



I am made for a
purpose



so I



have value.

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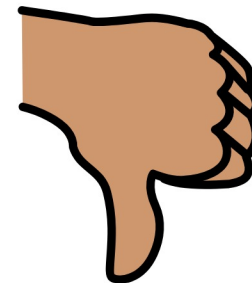


1. God's people returned to Jerusalem after being held captive for 70 years.



a. True

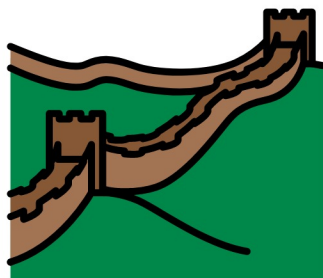
OR



b. False



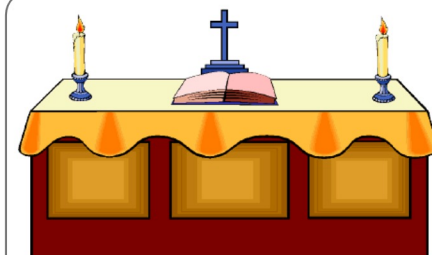
2. What did God's people do first when they saw their city had been destroyed?



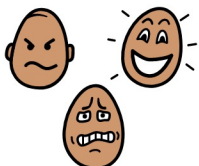
a. Rebuilt the city walls.



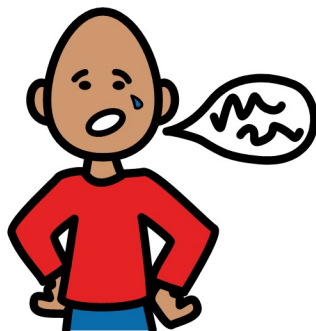
b. Rebuilt the temple foundation.



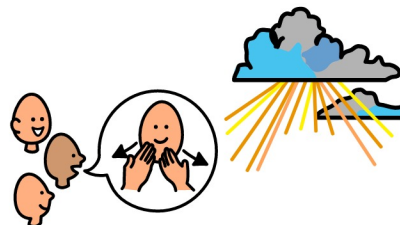
c. Rebuilt the altar.



3. How did the people respond while doing all the hard work of rebuilding?



a. They complained.



b. They praised and worshiped God.



c. They wanted to give up.