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## **BOTTOM LINE:**

DIFFERENT GENERATIONS
BRING UNIQUE
PERSPECTIVES, EMOTIONS
AND EXPERIENCES TO
CORPORATE WORSHIP
MOMENTS.

## **KEY VERSES:**

EZRA 3:1-13 Jeremiah 33:6-16 Haggai 2:1-9 Malachi 1:6-2:9

## **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. What was your major takeaway from the message this morning?
- 2. What unique perspectives do you see in our church? How can you help bring different perspectives together and promote unity?
- 3. Those who cheered and those who shed a tear needed to grow towards obedience. What areas of your life need growth and obedience?
- 4. How comfortable are you with experiencing or expressing cheers and tears in a worship service? Why do you think that way?
- 5. How do you handle the discontentment of this life? Why is processing pain and disappointment so difficult?
- 6. What practices can we put in place, both personally and communally, to allow either our inner pain or our momentary excitement to drive us to God and to obedience? What have you found helpful in this?
- 7. How easy is it for cheers and tears to coexist in your small group or friendship circle?
- 8. "Recovery only works if we continue to work it." The folks in the Ezra-Nehemiah period would frequently stop working on it. What lessons can you discern from the key Scriptures, listed above, that help God's people 'keep working it'?

