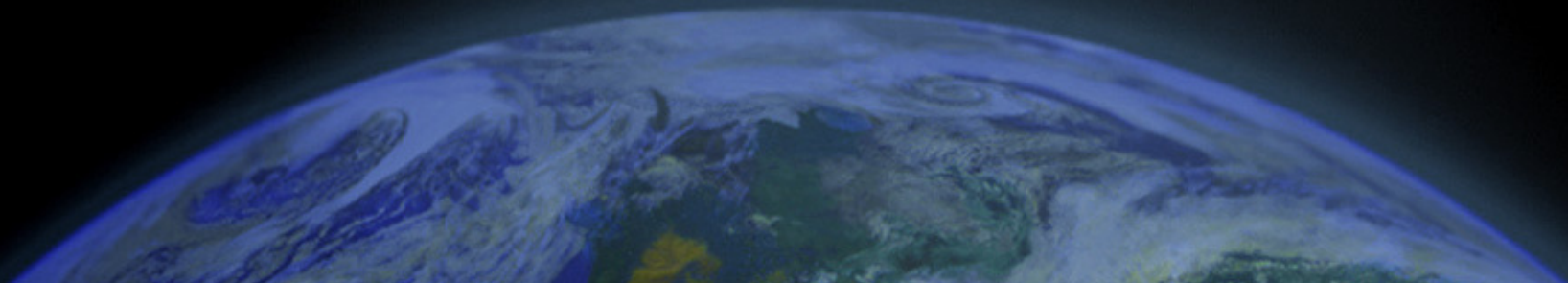


The Message

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Yoked with Unbelievers

Ezra 9



Being Unequally Yoked Brings the Fierce Wrath of God.

“Do not be unequally yoked with unbelievers” (2 Corinthians 6:14).



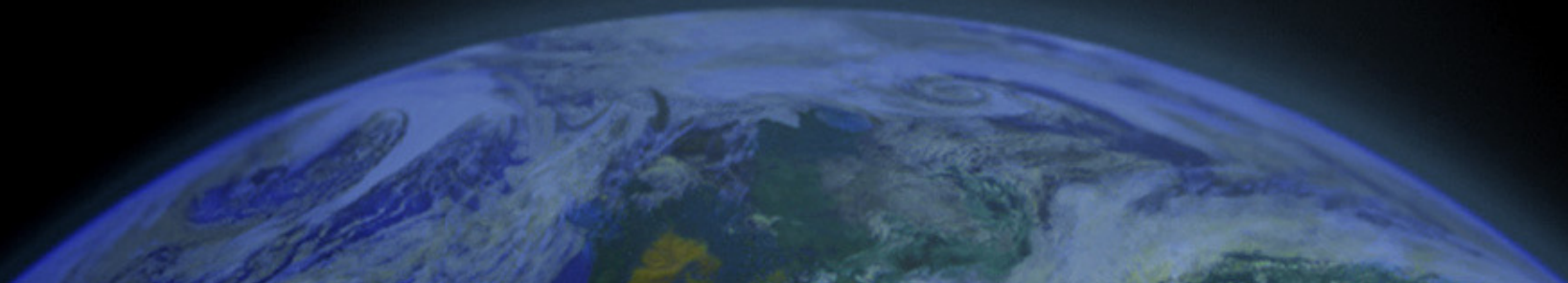
Unhealthy Soul Ties

Solomon's sin

Can include family members

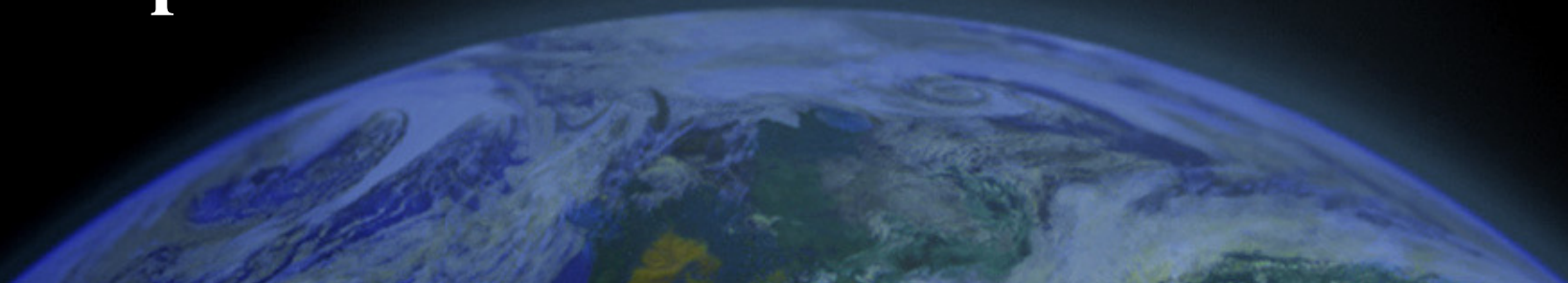
Daniel & friends

Partnerships can also be dangerous

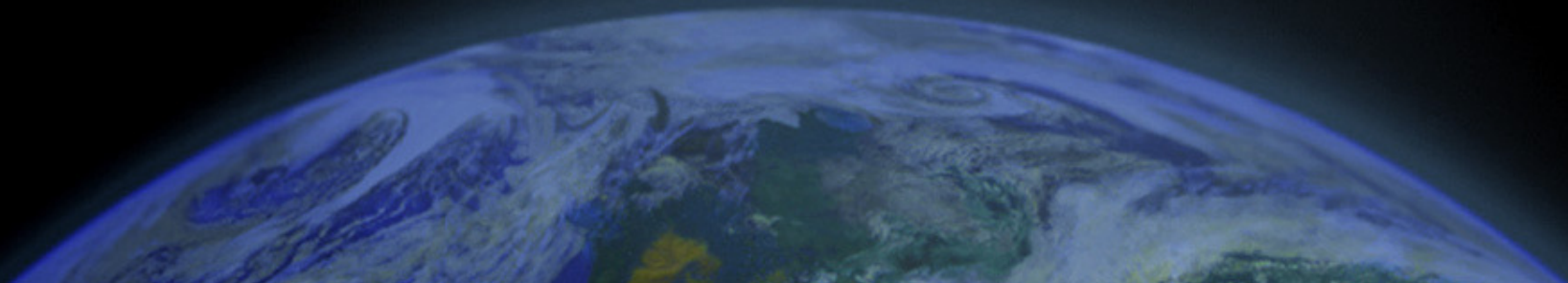


Ezra 9 Background

- **Solomon's temple was destroyed by Babylon in 586 BC.**
- **Fifty years later (536 BC) Jews returned and rebuilt the temple.**
- **100 years later (458) Jerusalem was in sad repair.**

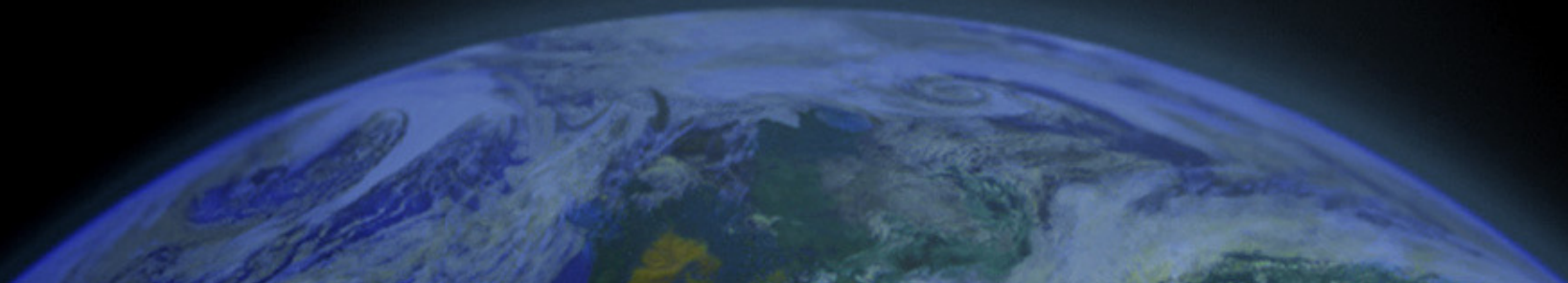


Enter Ezra & Nehemiah



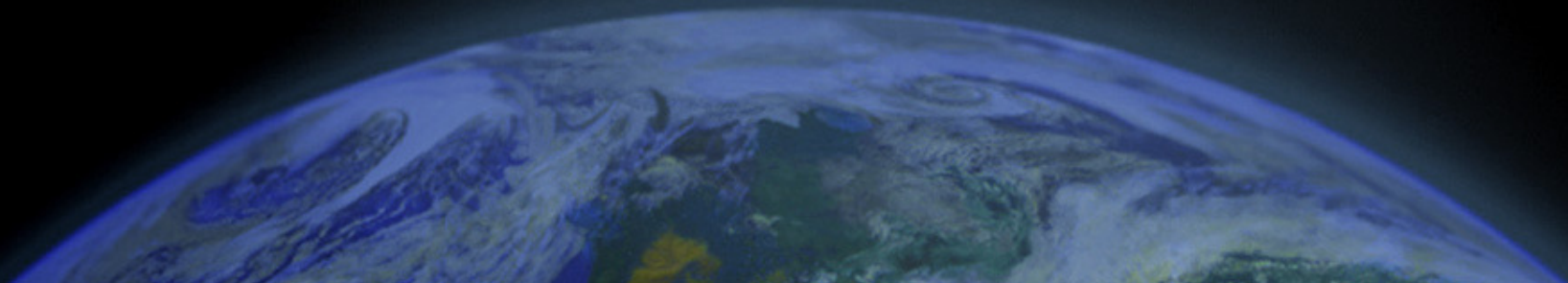
The Radical Covenant

Now therefore, let us make a covenant with our God to put away all these wives and those who have been born to them (Ezra 10:3).



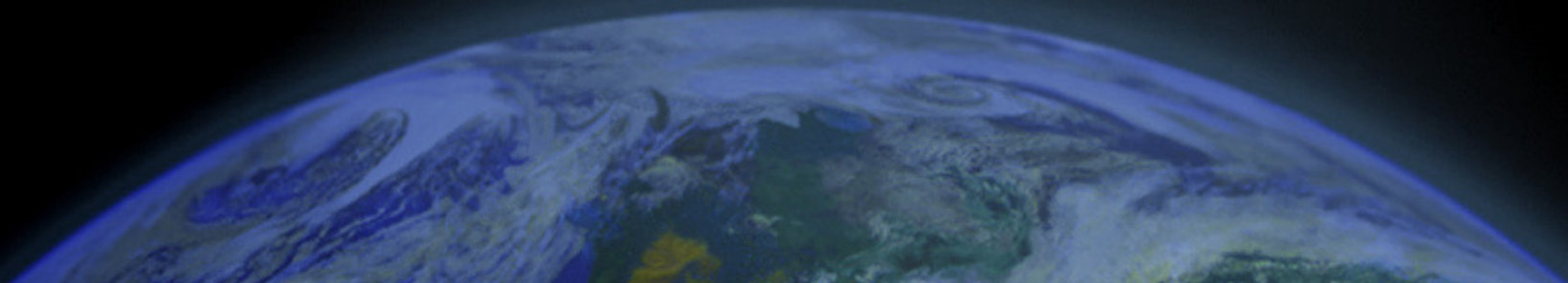
The Common Guilt

“our guilt” vs. 15.



The Good News

**So the holy seed shall be its stump
(Isaiah 6:13).**



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