

I fell on my knees and spread out my hands  
Ezra 9:1-15

I. Ezra encounters the worldliness of a new generation, v1-2

II. Nine elements of Ezra's prayer

1. Astonishment, v3
2. Trembling at God's Word, v4
3. Shame and humiliation, 5-6
4. Fear of repeating the past, v7
5. Hope of restoration, v8-9
6. A sense of failure, v10-11
7. Conviction regarding marriages, v12
8. Awareness of Mercy, v13-14
9. Clarity about the reality of their predicament, v15