Day 15

> *There, by the Ahava Canal, I proclaimed a fast, so that we might humble ourselves before our God and ask him for a safe journey for us and our children, with all our possessions. I was ashamed to ask the king for soldiers and horsemen to protect us from enemies on the road, because we had told the king, "The gracious hand of our God is on everyone who looks to him, but his great anger is against all who forsake him." So we fasted and petitioned our God about this, and he answered our prayer. Ezra 8:21-23*

There is great value in verbal, public commitment to trust in God alone. God did not design human nature in haste, and every feature of the human personality is there for a purpose. One of those features is the fear of shame and embarrassment, a feature that helps empower accountability relationships. How much trust have you placed in our nation's military forces? in doctors, hospitals, and health insurance? in your savings and investments? Ask God to forgive you for such misplaced trust, and ask for help in trusting only in Him. Then, when you are ready, GO PUBLIC!