

THE MINISTRY OF HAGGAI
ARISE AND BUILD
(Haggai 1:1-15)

- I. The REBUKE (Haggai 1:1-4)
 - A. Timing: the 2nd year of the Persian King DARIUS, the 1st day of the 6th month
 - B. Source: from the LORD, through the PROPHET
 - C. Target: Zerubbabel, the GOVERNOR; and Jeshua, the HIGH PRIEST
 - D. Setting: the assembly at the ALTAR in the OPEN AIR
 - E. Message
 1. “You say, ‘It’s not TIME to rebuild the TEMPLE’”
 2. “The LORD says, ‘Is it TIME for you to live in PANELED houses while THIS house lies desolate?’”

- II. The CALAMITY (Haggai 1:5-6)
 - A. Haggai reminded them of the divine AUTHORITY of his message
 - B. Haggai reminded them that God is more to be FEARED than the opposition
 - C. Haggai commands them to EXAMINE and PONDER their “ways”
 1. They sowed PLENTIFULLY, but harvested LITTLE
 2. They ATE, but were never SATISFIED

3. They DRANK, but did not have ENOUGH
4. They had CLOTHING, but were never WARM
5. They earned WAGES, but could ACCUMULATE nothing

III. The CHARGE (Haggai 1:7-8)

- A. Haggai restates the LORD's command to "CONSIDER your WAYS!"
- B. They must BUY the materials and BUILD the Temple
- C. The Lord would be PLEASED and GLORIFIED

IV. The JUDGMENTS (Haggai 1:9-11)

- A. Haggai EXPLAINS the SIGNIFICANCE of the various calamities
- B. God made their necessities so EXPENSIVE that whatever they earned was never ENOUGH
- C. God made their labor FRUSTRATINGLY UNPRODUCTIVE
- D. God will PROVIDE for those who make HIS GLORY a higher priority than their own WEALTH or COMFORT

V. The OBEDIENCE (Haggai 1:12-15)

- A. The people OBEYED the Lord
- B. By this they showed REVERENCE for the Lord
- C. The Lord declared, "I AM WITH YOU"
- D. The people RESUMED the CONSTRUCTION of the Temple