

Jehovah rebukes the people for building their own house

and not the house of Jehovah; they build His house

CHAPTER 1

1 In the second year of Darius, the king, in the sixth new moon, in the first day of the new moon, the word of Jehovah was by the hand of Haggai,^{1a} the prophet, to Zerubbabel,^{1b} the son of Shealtiel,^{1c} governor of Judah, and to Joshua, the son of Josedech, the great priest, saying,

2 Thus says Jehovah of hosts, saying, This people say, The time has not come, the time that Jehovah's house should be built.

3 And the word of Jehovah was by *the* hand of Haggai, the prophet, saying,

4 *Is it* time for you, Oh you, to dwell in your ceiled houses, and this house is parched?

5 And now thus says Jehovah of hosts, Put your well trod ways upon your heart.

6 You have sown much, and bring in little; you eat, and do not eat to satisfaction; you drink, and you are not satiated with drink; you put on clothes, and there is none warm; and he who earns wages, earns wages into a punctured bag.

7 Thus says Jehovah of hosts, Put your well trod ways upon your heart.

8 Go up to the mountain, and bring wood, and build the house; and I will take pleasure in it, and I will be heavy in glory, says Jehovah.

^{1a} 1:1 Haggai, Festive.

^{1b} 1:1 Zerubbabel, From Babylon.

^{1c} 1:1 Shealtiel, I Have Asked God.

9 You faced about to much, and lo, *it was* little, and when you brought it home, I puffed upon it. Why? - An oracle of Jehovah of hosts - Because of my house that *is* parched, and you run every man to his own house.

10 Therefore the heavens over you are shut off from dew, and the earth has shut off her produce.

11 And I called for a drought upon the earth, and upon the mountains, and upon the grain, and upon the fresh grape juice, and upon the oil, and upon that which the soil brings forth, and upon men, and upon animals, and upon all the labor of the palms.

12 And Zerubbabel, the son of Shealtiel, and Joshua, the son of Josedech, the great priest, with all the remnant of the people, attentively heard the voice of Jehovah, their God, and the words of Haggai, the prophet, as Jehovah, their God, had sent him, and the people feared before the face of Jehovah.

13 And Haggai, Jehovah's messenger, said in *the* message of Jehovah to the people, saying, I am with you - An oracle of Jehovah.

14 And Jehovah woke up the spirit of Zerubbabel, the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and the spirit of Joshua, the son of Josedech, the great priest, and the spirit of all the remnant of the people, and they came and did work in the house of Jehovah of hosts, their God,

HAGGAI 2 *Though the Temple seems inglorious, the Desire of all peoples will come and fill it with His glory*

15 In the twenty-fourth day of the sixth new moon, in the second year of Darius, the king.

CHAPTER 2

1 In the seventh *new moon*, in the twenty-first day of the new moon, the word of Jehovah was by the hand of Haggai, the prophet, saying,

2 Say now to Zerubbabel, the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua, the son of Josedech, the great priest, and to the rest of the people, saying,

3 Who is left among you who saw this house in her first heavy glory? And how do you see it now? *Is it* not like nothing in your eyes?

4 And now be strong, Oh Zerubbabel - An oracle of Jehovah - and be strong, Oh Joshua, son of Josedech, the great priest, and be strong, all you people of the land - An oracle of Jehovah - and work, because *I am* with you - An oracle of Jehovah of hosts;

5 *According to* the word that I cut in covenant with you when you came out of Egypt, so my Spirit stands among you; do not fear,

6 Because thus says Jehovah of hosts, Yet once, *it is* a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the desert;

7 And I will shake all peoples, and the Desire⁷ Of All Peoples shall come, and I will fill this house with heavy glory, says

⁷ 2:7 It was to this temple [remodeled by Herod] that Jesus the Messiah came.

Jehovah of hosts.

8 The silver *is* mine, and the gold *is* mine - An oracle of Jehovah of hosts.

9 The heavy glory of this last house shall be greater than the first, says Jehovah of hosts, and in this place I will give peace - An oracle of Jehovah of hosts.

10 In the twenty-fourth of the ninth *new moon*, in the second year of Darius, the word of Jehovah was by Haggai, the prophet, saying,

11 Thus says Jehovah of hosts, Ask now the priests *about* the law, saying,

12 If a man bears holy flesh in the skirt of his garment, and with his skirt touches food, or soup, or wine, or oil, or any food, shall it be holy? And the priests answered and said, No.

13 And Haggai said, If one *who is* unclean by a soul touches any of these, shall it be unclean? And the priests answered and said, It shall be unclean.

14 And Haggai answered, and said, So *is* this people, and so *is* this people before my face - An oracle of Jehovah - and so is every work of their hands, and that which they bring near there, *it is* unclean.

15 And now, please, put it on your heart: From this day and upward, from before a stone was put upon a stone in the temple of Jehovah,

16 Since those days were, when one came to a heap of twenty *measures*, and there were ten, when one came to the wine

From the day the foundation of the Temple was laid, I will bless you
vat to draw out fifty *vessels* out of the wine press, and there were twenty,

17 I struck you with blight, and with paleness, and with hail in all the works of your hands, and you are not *turned* to me - An oracle of Jehovah.

18 Put *it* now on your heart: From this day and upward, from the twenty-fourth day of the ninth *new moon*; from the day that the foundation of Jehovah's temple was laid - put it on your heart.

19 Is the seed yet in the barn? And, as yet the vine, and the fig tree, and the pomegranate, the olive tree, has not risen up; from this day I will bless *you*.

20 And again the word of Jehovah was to Haggai in the twenty-fourth of the new moon, saying,

21 Say to Zerubbabel, governor of Judah, saying, I will shake the heavens and the earth;

22 And I will overthrow the throne of kingdoms, and I will desolate the strength of the kingdoms of the peoples; and I will overthrow the chariots, and those riding in them, and the horses and their riders shall come down, every man by the sword of his brother.

23 In that day - An oracle of Jehovah of hosts - I will take you, Oh Zerubbabel, my servant, the son of Shealtiel - An oracle of Jehovah - and will put you *to be* as a signet-ring, because I have chosen you - An oracle of Jehovah of hosts.

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