

Spiritual Stirring Haggai 1

- He began his ministry about **16** years after the Return from captivity.
- The work of rebuilding the Temple had been stopped because of false accusations from the Samaritans.
- After having been suspended for **15** years, the work was resumed through the efforts of Haggai and Zechariah **Ezra 6:14**

Outline

I. The word of the Lord says... get **busy** or I won't bless you (Haggai 1)

A. The people don't want to **build** God's house (Haggai 1:2)

1 **In the second year of Darius the king, in the sixth month, in the first day of the month, came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet** unto Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, saying,

2 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, This people say, The time is not come, the time that the LORD'S house should be built.

B. Yet the People have already built their **houses** (Haggai 1:3-4)

3 Then came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet, saying,

4 **Is it time for you, O ye, to dwell in your ceiled(**roof covering**) houses, and this house lie waste?**

C. **Consider** your Ways (Haggai 1:5)

5 Now therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; **Consider**(**śûm - lêbâb - 'al**) your ways.

- **śûm - wholly**
- **lêbâb – heart understanding**
- **'al – with**
- **With a wholly understanding heart (**analyze** your innermost being)**

D. You've worked but are still in **need** (Haggai 1:6)

6 Ye have **sown much, and bring in little; ye eat, but ye have not enough; ye drink, but ye are not filled with drink; ye clothe you, but there is none warm; and he that earneth wages earneth wages to put it into a bag with holes.**

YOU'RE FORFEITING THE **BLESSINGS OF GOD!**

E. Consider your **ways** (Haggai 1:7)

7 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; **Consider** your ways.

F. Build and God will be **happy** (Haggai 1:8)

8 **Go up** to the mountain, and **bring** wood, and **build** the house; and **I will take pleasure in it, and I will be glorified, saith the LORD.**

G. You worked **hard but I caused it to be gone (Haggai 1:9-11)**

9 Ye looked for much, and, lo, **it came to little**; and when ye brought it home, I did blow upon it. Why? saith the LORD of hosts. **Because of mine house that is waste(**desolate**)**, and ye run every man unto his own house.

10 Therefore the **heaven over you is stayed from dew(**Drought**)**, and the **earth is stayed from her fruit(**Famine**)**.

11 And **I called for a drought** upon the land, and upon the mountains, and upon the corn, and upon the new wine, and upon the oil, and upon that which the ground bringeth forth, and upon men, and upon cattle, and upon all the labour of the hands.

- **Your **laziness** is costing you!**

H. Zerubbabel and the people get right back to **work (Haggai 1:12)**

12 Then Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, with all the remnant of the people, **obeyed the voice of the LORD their God, and the words of Haggai the prophet(someone proclaiming **God's Word**)**, as the LORD their God had sent him, and the people did fear before the LORD.

I. God gets **happy (Haggai 1:13-15)**

1. He is **with them (Haggai 1:13)**

13 Then spake Haggai the **LORD'S messenger in the LORD'S message** unto the people, saying, I am with you, saith the LORD.

2. He **stirred up their spirits (Haggai 1:14)**

14 **And the LORD stirred up the spirit** of Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and **the spirit of Joshua** the son of Josedech, the high priest, and **the spirit of all the remnant of the people**;

3. He **helped them do the work (Haggai 1:14)**

and they came and did work in the house of the LORD of hosts, their God,

15 **In the four and twentieth day of the sixth month, in the second year of Darius the king.**