

Old Testament PowerPoint presentation

Haggai

Suggested Bible Reading: Haggai chapter 1

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– Haggai the prophet speaks God's message to Zerrubabel, the Governor of Judah, and Joshua the High Priest, upon the return of the people from captivity. They are called upon to ‡ (ch.1: 5) consider ‡ (ch.1: 7) their ways, to carefully consider ‡ (ch.2: 15) the time before the building of Temple was started, and to ‡ (ch.2: 18) consider the day the Temple foundations were laid. ‡ to open →

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– Some background information. ‡ Haggai was the first prophet to Judah after the return from 70 years of captivity. ‡ He was contemporary with the prophet Zechariah. ‡ He prophesied about 520BC, in the 2nd year of King Darius of Persia. ‡ For further information see Ezra chapter 5: 1-2; chapter 6: 14. ‡ to open →

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– The return of God's people from Babylon to Judah (Jerusalem). ‡ The first group returned under the leadership of Zerrubabel about 536BC. Follow the red dotted line. ‡ The second group return under the leadership of Ezra about 458BC. Follow the blue dotted line. Note: Nehemiah and his small group later came to Jerusalem (c.445BC) and repaired the wall and established civil order. ‡ to open →

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– Those settling in Jerusalem had made themselves comfortable, living in luxurious houses. Chapter 1: 4 – “Is it time for you to dwell in your panelled house...” ‡ “...and this Temple to lie in ruins?” ‡ to open →

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- In other words, was it to be self first, (Chapter 1: 6) ‡ or ‡ God first. ‡ It was like working for nothing, just like putting money into a bag with holes. Money was just being squandered and wasted i.e. God was not prospering the people because they were not putting Him first. (chapter 1: 9). ‡ to open →

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– God’s message through Haggai is heeded. Then Zerrubabel, ‡ and Joshua the High Priest, together with ‡ all the people, ‡ Obeyed the words of the Prophet Haggai, ‡ and all the people feared the LORD. Now work on the rebuilding of the Temple – The House of the LORD, could begin. ‡ to open →

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– God’s promise to His people. ‡ “I am with you”. God’s promise to us today - ‡ Matthew 28: 20 – The Lord Jesus said – “...I am with you always...” ‡ to open →

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– The Temple - ‡ The former glory – remembered by some (Chapter 2: 3). ‡ The destruction of the Temple – Judgement. ‡ The promised glory and blessing – (Chapter 2: 7) – reminding us of the coming of the Christ, the Prince of Peace – He will come to His Temple (2: 9). ‡ the Sovereign God will give peace in ‘this place’, for the silver and the gold is His. ‡ to open →

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- The priests had to learn a lesson. ‡ Holy contact does not impart Holiness. ‡ All the people had to learn that sinful contact imparts uncleanness. ‡ Haggai 2: 14. Similarly a lesson for us. ‡ to open →

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– VICTORY - The people will be victorious by God’s mighty power. ‡ He will defeat the enemy. ‡ At the Cross, the Lord Jesus Christ was victorious over death, and there He paid the penalty for sin, for all those who put their trust in Him. ‡ Thanks be unto God that gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Corinthians 15: 57.

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