

## **I. WORKING HARD AND FEARLESS TOWARD GLORY (HAGGAI 2:1-9)**

- A. When the fervor fades (**Haggai 2:1-3**)
  - 1. The people were briefly passionate for the work (**Haggai 2:1-2; 1:12-15**)
  - 2. But the work quickly became daunting (**Haggai 2:3; 1:4**)
- B. A word from the Lord reassures and redirects (**Haggai 2:4-5**)
  - 1. God commands strength, so that the work will continue (**Haggai 2:4**)
  - 2. God is the source of strength who enables our work (**Haggai 2:4; Ephesians 6:10; Exodus 3:12; Joshua 1:5; 1 Chronicles 28:20; Matthew 28:18-20**)
  - 3. We trust that God will work in and through our work (**Philippians 2:12-13; 1 Corinthians 15:58**)
  - 4. We are reassured by God's covenant and abiding Spirit (**Haggai 2:6; Exodus 33:10; Zechariah 4:6; Ephesians 3:16**)
- C. A vision of a glorious future (**Haggai 2:6-9**)
  - 1. God will supply what's needed (**Haggai 2:6-8**)
  - 2. We should not despise the day of small things (**Haggai 2:9; Zechariah 4:10a**)
  - 3. Jesus is the latter glory and greater temple (**John 2:19-21; John 1:14; Matthew 12:6**)
  - 4. We have a vision of a glorious future (**Ephesians 2:22; 1:13; Revelation 21:1-3, 22-26**)

## **II. RESTORING A DEFILED PEOPLE AND KINGDOM (HAGGAI 2:10-23)**

- A. Defilement is more contagious than holiness (**Haggai 2:10-14**)
  - 1. Holiness cannot be transmitted to the third degree (**Haggai 2:10-12**)
  - 2. Defilement can be transmitted to the third degree and beyond (**Haggai 2:13-14**)
- B. From this day onward, things will be different (**Haggai 2:15-19**)
  - 1. What once was defiled is now clean, the people will be blessed (**Haggai 2:18-19**)
  - 2. Our "foundation day" is Christ crucified and risen and received by faith (**1 Corinthians 6:9-11**)
- C. The coming Kingdom of God will overthrow worldly kingdoms (**Haggai 2:20-23**)
  - 1. Israel's kingdom and King will be restored (**Haggai 2:23; Jeremiah 23:5-6; 1 Kings 11:34; Matthew 1:12**)
  - 2. The coming of Jesus wasn't what many expected (**Acts 1:6-8; Mark 1:15; John 18:36**)
  - 3. We are receiving an unshakable Kingdom (**Hebrews 12:26-29**)

## **III. SMALL THINGS, ORDINARILY DONE, OVER THE LONG HAUL (1 CORINTHIANS 3:8-15)**

### **WORDS I DIDN'T UNDERSTAND**

### **SOMETHING NEW TO ME**

### **WHAT I HEARD ABOUT THE GOSPEL**

## SERMON REFLECTIONS

1. Why did the passion to rebuild the temple go away? What does God do for the people to help them go back to working on the temple?

2. How is the promise God makes to be with His people a source of encouragement and reassurance? How can that promise renew our passion to work for the Lord?

3. What is meant by the phrase "Do not despise the day of small things"? How can we sometimes discount small things that are important to God?

## ATTRIBUTES OF GOD I HEARD *(CIRCLE THE ONES MENTIONED)*

Good	Wise	Wrathful	Merciful
Just	Jealous	Faithful	Perfect
Holy	Gracious	Patient	Love
Other:			

## KEY WORDS *(WRITE WHAT THESE WORDS MEAN)*

Fervor –

Defilement –

Contagious –

## NOTES OR DRAWINGS ABOUT WHAT I HEARD