BUILDING GOD'S HOUSE IN HUMILITY

Haggai 1:1-15 // January 8, 2023 AM

I. As the haughty priorities of the flesh prevail, temple building is renounced (vv. 1-11).

- A. Do I live by sight?
- B. Do I live for self?
- C. Do I live for earthly riches?

II. As the humble priorities of the Spirit prevail, temple building is renewed (vv. 12-15).

- A. Do I live by faith?
- B. Do I live for God?
- C. Do I live for spiritual riches?

QUESTIONS FOR FAMILY WORSHIP

- 1. Haggai is a post-exilic prophet. What does that mean? And how is that important to understanding Haggai's ministry and message?
- 2. God had sent the exiles back into Canaan to rebuild the temple, but after nearly 20 years only the foundation has been laid. Why?
- 3. Now that Christ has come, where is God's house?
- 4. What does it mean to consider our ways (vv. 5 & 7)? Why is self-examination so important?
- 5. As these Jews compared their houses to God's house, what did it reveal? How can we fall into a similar trap in our day?
- 6. How did the people respond to Haggai's preaching? Who brought about this repentance and faith in them?
- 7. What does it look like to build God's house today? And what lessons can we learn from this passage about how to do it?

QUESTIONS FOR PRIVATE REFLECTION

- 1. Do I live by sight or faith?
- 2. Do I live for self or God?
- 3. Do I live for earthly riches or spiritual riches?