

I. EVENTS

538 BC	First return of exiles from Babylon (Cyrus/Zerubbabel, Joshua; Hag.1:1f; Ezra 1:1f)
536 BC	Temple started & stopped (see Ezra 3&4)
520 BC	Haggai & Zechariah (Ezra 5:1; 6:14; Hag.1:1; Zech.1:1; see Dt.19:15; Mt.18:16,etc.)
520 BC	Temple resumed (Ezra 5,6; note: Darius, Ezra 4:5,24; 6:1f; Hag.1:1,etc.; Zech.1:1,7)
516 BC	Temple finished (Ezra 6:13f)
458 BC	Ezra in Jerusalem (Ezra 7-10; Neh.8)
445 BC	Nehemiah in Jerusalem (Nehemiah)

II. CHARACTERS

- A. PROPHET: HAGGAI** (1:1f; Ezra 5:1; 6:14 /"festal"; see Dt.16:16)
- B. PRINCE: ZERUBBABEL** (1:1f; Ezra 2:2f; Neh.7:7; 12:1f; Zech.4:6f; Mt.1:12f; Lk.3:27)
- C. PRIEST: JOSHUA** (1:1f; Zech.3:1f; 6:11f; Jeshua, Ezr.2:2f; Neh.7:7)
- D. PEOPLE: REMNANT** (1:1,2; 12; 13,14; 2:1,2; 4; see 14)
- E. PEOPLES: NATIONS** (2:10,20 & 11 & 21 & 22,7(14))

III. MESSAGE

PROPHETS: PREACHING COVENANT DISCIPLESHIP (1:12,14; Ex.6:7; Ezk.16:8; see Heb.12:5f)

- A. CURSES: COVENANT DISCOURAGEMENT** (1:6,9-11; 2:16,17; see Dt.28:38f,22f)
- B. DISOBEDIENCE: SIN** (1:2-4,9b; 2:10-14)

B¹. REPENTANCE: NEW OBEDIENCE (1:8, 12-15; see 2:18; Ezr.5:1,2; Zech.8:9,12)

A¹. BLESSING: COVENANT ENCOURAGEMENT (1:13; 2:4,5(Mt.1:23); Dt.30:1f; i.e., Hag.2:3,6f,20f (2:5,22; Ex.15:1f; 40:34); Is.60:4f; 11,13; 61:1f,6; 66:12; Acts 2:9f; Rom.15:9f,16; Eph.2:11f; also Hag.2:23; Mt.1:12f; 2Sam.7:12)

IV. LESSONS

- A. CONSIDER: SET YOUR HEART ON!** (1:5,7; 2:15,18; see Ezra 7:10; 3:3; see 1Cor.11:28; 2Cor.13:5)
 1. consider *your* ways to *repent*: come & work! (1:5f,7f; 14; Eph.4:12f; 1Pt.4:10,11; see Zech.1:3,4; Ps.119:59; Jer.7:3f; 26:13; Rev.2:4)
 2. consider *His* ways to *be renewed*: blessing & glory! (2:15f/18,19; 20f,7f; Eph.2:11f; 4:13f; Mt.5:3f; 16:18; 28:18f)
- B. COMPARE YOUR HOUSE TO HIS HOUSE!** (1:2; 4,9; see Eph.4:12f; 1Cor.12:4f; 1Pt.4:10f)
- C. REFRESH THE FOUNDATION & BUILD ON IT!** (2:18,3(Ezr.3:12) & 1:14; Ezr.5:1,2; Zech.8:9f; see Lk.6:48(Mt.16:18); Eph.2:20; Jude 1:3 & 1Cor.3:10f; Eph.4:12; Heb.6:1f)
- D. COME AND WORK: PROPHETS, PRIESTS, PRINCES & PEOPLE!** (1:1,2; 12; 13,14; 2:1,2; 4; see 14; see Eph.4:12f; 1Cor.12:4ff; 1Pt.4:10,11)
- E. LOOK FOR HIS BLESSING & GLORY AS SOON AS YOU BEGIN!** (2:15/18; 4f; see 1:12f)
- F. BEGIN NOW!** (1:1,15)