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520 BC

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Haggai 1 4"Is it a time for you yourselves to live in your paneled houses, while this house lies in ruins?" 5 Now this is what the LORD of Hosts says: "Consider carefully your ways. 6 You have planted much but harvested little. You eat but never have enough. You drink but never have your fill. You put on clothes but never get warm. You earn wages to put into a bag pierced through."

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- 9 You expected much, but behold, it amounted to little.
- And what you brought home, I blew away.
- Why? declares the LORD of Hosts.
- Because My house still lies in ruins, while each of you is busy with his own house.

Haggai 1 10 Therefore, on account of you the heavens have withheld their dew and the earth has withheld its crops. 11 I have summoned a drought on the fields and on the mountains, on the grain, new wine, and oil, and on whatever the ground yields, on man and beast, and on all the labor of your hands."

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- So the people feared the LORD.

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 delivered the message of the LORD to the people:
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Ezra 3 (536 BC)

- 10 When the builders had laid the foundation of the temple of the LORD, the priests in their apparel with trumpets, and the Levites (the sons of Asaph) with cymbals, took their positions to praise the LORD, as David king of Israel had prescribed.
- 11 And they sang responsively with praise and thanksgiving to the LORD:
- "For He is good; for His loving devotion to Israel endures forever."

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- Then all the people gave a great shout of praise to the LORD, because the foundation of the house of the LORD had been laid.
- 12 But many of the older priests, Levites, and family heads who had seen the first temple wept loudly when they saw the foundation of this temple.
- Still, many others shouted joyfully.
- 13 The people could not distinguish the shouts of joy from the sound of weeping, because the people were making so much noise.

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Hebrews 12

25 See to it that you do not refuse Him who speaks. For if the people did not escape when they refused Him who warned them on earth, how much less will we escape if we reject Him who warns us from heaven? 26 At that time His voice shook the earth, but now He has promised, "Once more I will shake not only the earth, but heaven as well." 27 The words "Once more" signify the removal of what can be shaken—that is, created things—so that the unshakable may remain.

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- 2 Chronicles 7
- 1 When Solomon had finished praying, fire came down from heaven and consumed the burnt offering and the sacrifices, and the glory of the LORD filled the temple.
- 2 The priests were unable to enter the house of the LORD, because the glory of the LORD had filled it.

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John 1

14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.

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Haggai 2

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7 Of this gospel I was made a minister according to the gift of God's grace, which was given me by the working of his power. 8 To me, though I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, 9 and to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things, 10 so that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places.

- 11 This was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord,
- 12 in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith in him.
- 13 So I ask you not to lose heart over what I am suffering for you, which is your glory.

- 14... for this reason I bow my knees before the Father
 15 from whom every family in heaven and on earth derives its
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- 16 I ask that out of the riches of His glory He may strengthen you with power through His Spirit in your inner being,
- 17 so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith—that you, being rooted and grounded in love,
- 18 may have strength to comprehend with all the saints what is the breadth and length and height and depth,
- 19 and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

- 20 Now to Him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us,
- 21 to Him be the glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

