

HAGGAI 2; July 16; The Glory of This Latter House

ANALYSIS:

1. What are the questions the LORD asks the people about the temple?

2. Why does the LORD say, “Be strong” (v 4) to the leaders and the people? _____

3. What are some results of the LORD shaking heaven and earth?

4. What event turned the people's shortages and blasting to blessings?

5. According to Hebrews 12:25-29, what do the words “Yet once, I will shake the heavens, and the earth ...” (v 6) mean? _____

THINGS TO THINK ABOUT:

Among the blessings the LORD would give His people at the rebuilt temple was “peace” (v 9). Several hundred years after Haggai wrote, in that rebuilt temple, a Spirit-filled devout man took the baby Jesus in his arms saying, “Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word: for mine eyes have seen thy salvation ...” (Lu 2:29-30). “We have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ” (Rom 5:1).

Have you, today, thanked and praised our Lord Jesus Christ for making peace with God, for you, through the blood of His cross? (Col 1:20)

HELP:

1. Who saw the glory of the first temple? What do you see now? What is the comparison? (v 3).

2. Because the foundation for rebuilding the temple was so much smaller than Solomon's former temple (v 3c), some witnesses “wept with a loud voice” (Ezra 3:12).

3. The desire of all nations shall come, the glory of the latter house shall be greater than the former, in this place will I give peace (vs 7-8).

4. The day they laid the foundation and began rebuilding the temple (vs 15-18).

5. The shaking is applied to the removing of some spiritual things of the Old Testament, that things centered in Jesus Christ may remain, specifically His kingdom (Heb 12:25-29).