

**Oxford Baptist Church – Nov 12, 2023 – Robin W. Pifer**  
**Haggai – “The Glory of the New Temple” – Haggai 2:1-9**

**The Message and the Background | v1-3**

- The Glory of the New Temple
- The Lord Says...

**Be Strong and Work | v.4-5**

- *Be strong and work for I am with you by my Spirit, so do not fear.*
- Be Strong, Zerubbabel and Joshua.
- Be Strong, all you people of the land.
- Be Strong and Work.
- “Be Strong for I am with you” v. 4; Haggai 1:13
- Be Strong. My Spirit remains among you. Haggai 1:14  
Zech 4:6; 1Corinthians 6:19-20
- Be Strong and Do not Fear.

**I Will Shake the Nations | v.6-9**

- *I will shake the nations, and the “Desire of all Nations” will come, filling the New House with a Greater Glory.*
- God will shake the Nations v.6-7; Heb 12:26
- God will send the “Desire of all Nations.” v.7 John 4:42
- The things we desire are found in Jesus.
- God owns all the silver and the gold. v. 8
- God supplies his obedient people. Malachi 3:10-12
- God’s glory will be more significant in this present house than in the former house. v. 9 - Jesus comes to the Temple.
- God will grant peace. v. 9; Ephesians 2:14; John 14:27
- Hebrews 12:26 – The Unshakeable Kingdom.
- Worship, Exalt and Proclaim Jesus.

**Questions for Personal and Group Study**

- 1) Why is the “Be Strong” message of Haggai so crucial for the leaders and God’s people back then and now in the church?
- 2) Haggai calls them to work and be strong because God is with them. How does this encouragement keep them from being passive in their lives?
- 3) Why is the mention of the Holy Spirit so essential for carrying on the work of God? Read the passages given in the notes and discuss.
- 4) How did God shake up the nations in Haggai’s time? How is God shaking the countries today? Why is God’s kingdom unshakable? Hebrews 12:26
- 5) Discuss the “Desire of all Nations.” Haggai points to a name of the Messiah. What other names of Jesus are there in scripture? How does Jesus fulfill this prophetic name?
- 6) Why would the message include that God owns all the silver and the gold? Discuss Malachi 3:10-12 and its impact.
- 7) God’s glory is constantly increasing. How does God’s glory increase with the coming of Jesus Christ?
- 8) Why is God’s peace such a demonstration of God’s glory for us? John 14:27