

Oxford Baptist Church – Nov 26, 2023 – Robin W. Pifer
Haggai – “The Signet Ring” – Haggai 2:20-23

1. God Is In Control | v21-22

- Nothing can come against God’s set purpose and plan.

2. God Is Faithful To His People | v23

- God has told us what he will do in the Future.
- Why does God choose Zerubbabel?
- My Servant - 1 Peter 5:6-7, Matt 23:11
- What is a Signet Ring?
- I have chosen you - James 4:8
- Matt 1:13 – The line of David will continue on to the Birth of Jesus Christ, the promised Messiah.
- God keeps His Promises. God is on our Side. Are we on His side? 2Cor 1:20; 2Peter 1:3

3. God Is Calling Us To Be His Signet Ring

- Main Point: God has chosen us to be his signet ring, his seal of authority and ownership, in a world that is shaken by chaos and conflict.
- Hebrews 12:38
 - “The significance of a signet ring in Haggai 2 is that it represents God’s choice, favor, and authority over Zerubbabel, the governor of Judah and a descendant of David. A signet ring was a ring that had a unique emblem or seal engraved on it, and was used by ancient kings and rulers to authenticate their documents and orders. A signet ring was a symbol of honor, trust, and power.”
- Represent God to the world by living a holy and godly life, by loving and serving others, by sharing and showing the gospel, and by being a peacemaker and a justice-seeker. Use your gifts and talents to honor him and bless others. Be his signet ring, his seal of authority and ownership, on his hand.

Questions for Personal and Group Study

- 1) God is in Control or Sovereign over this world. How does this impact your faith or believe in the Lord?
- 2) How does Haggai show God’s sovereign plan in his sermons in the book?
- 3) When you look back at Haggai, what are some examples of God’s faithfulness that have been fulfilled through his messages? Matt 1:13
- 4) Check out these verses again (2Cor 1:20; 2Peter 1:3). Why can these verses be applied in our Christian lives?
- 5) Why does God choose Zerubbabel as his Signet Ring or “My servant” at this time in History?
- 6) How does being a servant of God open greater opportunities for God’s glory?
- 7) In light of all the chaos and conflict in the world; in what ways does God want us to live? Reflect on the paragraphs in the notes and the main point.
- 8) Take time to pray and ask God to apply this message to your life and the life of the church.