

“A Clean Start” (Haggai 2:10–23)

Sermon Application Review from N/A

Scripture Reading

Haggai 2:10–23

Leviticus 11:44–45; 19:2; 20:7, 26; 21:8

Micah 6:6–8

Psalms 51:15–17

1 Samuel 15:22–23

Psalms 110

Zechariah 8:9–23; 14:9–15

Study Questions

1. In what ways is it easier to spread evil than holiness (2:10–14)? What examples can you provide? How would you attempt to help another believer live a holy life? How can CBC help believers in our discipleship pathway (Planted in Truth → Rooted in Community → Reaching in Love)?
2. How much disparity exists between your internal and external life (2:11)? Who are you when no one is looking? What does “holy” mean (2:14)? How do people try to make their lives or lifestyles “holy”? How are you presently striving to live a holy life? Read Hebrews 12:14.
3. How can you more consistently reflect on your spiritual life (2:15, 18)? When have you experienced God’s discipline (2:16–17)? When have you experienced His blessing (2:19)? What did you learn from these experiences?
4. What attitudes or actions are hindering your worship? What unconfessed sin in your life needs to be addressed? What blessings need to be acknowledged and appreciated? In what ways can we grow in our value of united worship at CBC?
5. The day is coming when nations and powers will be shaken (2:20–22). How should this affect your conduct now? What fears, doubts, or concerns do you have? How can your personal difficulties either strengthen or threaten your trust in God? How can you cultivate a deep trust in God?
6. How would you define “hope” (2:23)? How important is “hope” to you? Describe a time when you felt hopeless. What happened to change your outlook? How have your priorities changed during the course of this study? How has your spiritual life changed?

Recommended Reading

Larry Osborne, *Accidental Pharisees* (Zondervan, 2012)

Steven C. Roy, *What God Thinks of Us When We Fail* (IVP, 2011)

Joe Stowell, *Far From Home* (Moody, 1998)

Jared C. Wilson, *Gospel Deeps* (Crossway, 2012)

Slides for Verses

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