

Consider

Haggai 1

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Consider 1st

God's analysis - misplaced priorities

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- 1 In the second year of King Darius, in the sixth month, on the first day of the month, the word of the LORD came by Haggai the prophet to Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest, saying,
- 2 Thus speaks the LORD of hosts, saying: 'This people says, The time has not come, the time that the LORD's house should be built.
- 3 Then the word of the LORD came by Haggai the prophet, saying,
- 4 Is it time for you yourselves to dwell in your paneled houses, and this temple to lie in ruins?



Consider 2nd

God explains the Hand behind the consequences

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- 5 Now therefore, thus says the LORD of hosts: "Consider your ways!
- 6 You have sown much, and bring in little; You eat, but do not have enough; You drink, but you are not filled with drink; You clothe yourselves, but no one is warm; And he who earns wages, Earns wages to put into a bag with holes.
- 7 Thus says the LORD of hosts: "Consider your ways!
- 9 You looked for much, but indeed it came to little; and when you brought it home, I blew it away. Why?" says the LORD of hosts. "Because of My house that is in ruins, while every one of you runs to his own house.
- 10 Therefore the heavens above you withhold the dew, and the earth withholds its fruit.
- 11 For I called for a drought on the land and the mountains, on the grain and the new wine and the oil, on whatever the ground brings forth, on men and livestock, and on all the labor of your hands."

Consider 3rd

God prescribed cure - Make Me Priority

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8 Go up to the mountains and bring wood and build the temple, that I may take pleasure in it and be glorified," says the LORD.

Matthew 6:33

But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Consider 4th

God's Presence when we make Him priority

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- 12 ... the high priest, with all the remnant of the people, obeyed the voice of the LORD their God, and the words of Haggai the prophet, as the LORD their God had sent him; and the people feared the presence of the LORD.
- 13 Then Haggai, the LORD's messenger, spoke the LORD's message to the people, saying, "I am with you, says the LORD."
- 14 So the LORD stirred up the spirit... of all the remnant of the people; and they came and worked on the house of the LORD of hosts, their God

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- 1. God's analysis - misplaced priorities*
- 2. God explains the Hand behind the consequences*
- 3. God prescribed cure - Make Me Priority*
- 4. God's Presence when we make Him priority*



- ***Challenge***

- *Identify one area in your walk with the Lord in which you will make Him and His kingdom the Priority.*
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