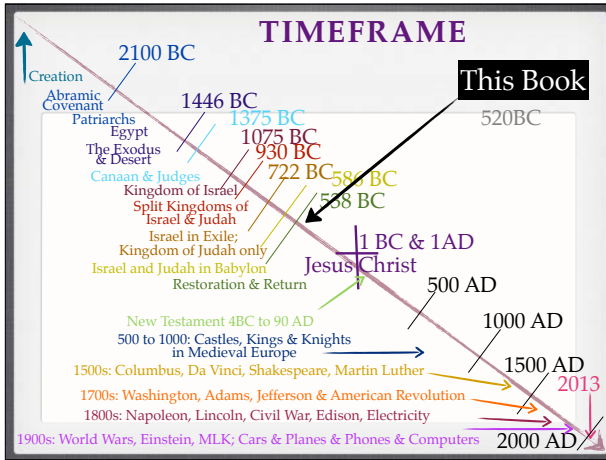


HAGGAI

Book of A Guy who wants people to Rebuild God's Temple



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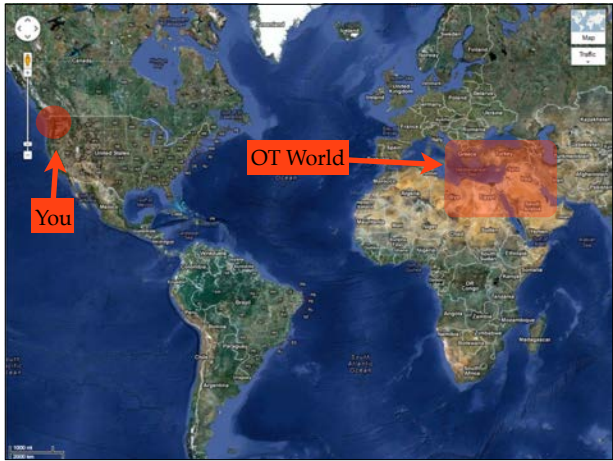


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Major OT Themes found in this Book:

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1. God is Love
2. God Creates
3. Israel (we) are supposed to be God's Obedient Servants
4. Israel (we) are Sinful
5. God is Angry with His People for Rejecting Him
6. God Forgives and Blesses those who Follow Him
7. Israel (we) are God's Chosen Examples
8. God Speaks through His Prophets
9. God is Always with His People
10. God is Just and Merciful
11. God Keeps His Promises
12. Israel (we) are Redeemed and Restored by the Blood of Christ
13. Israel (we) are JoGoFd
14. Israel (we) will Inherit the Kingdom of God



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TYPE OF BOOK

- Moses' Torah / Pentateuch
- History
- Poetry & Wisdom
- Major (Long-book) Prophets
- Minor (Short-book) Prophets ✓

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AUTHOR

- 1:1
- Haggai

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READERS & RECIPIENTS

- It's a single story about the people rebuilding the Temple.
- The story was written afterwards, so it's for everyone, not for the builders of the Temple.

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STORYLINE

- 1--The Completion of the Temple
- 2:1 through 2:9--the Glory of the Temple
- 2:10 through 2:19--the Blessings of Obedience (They rebuilt the temple like God asked, so they were blessed.)
- 2:20-22--Future Destruction of Nations
- 2:23--Future Recognition of Zerubbabel (he foreshadows the Messiah)--"on that day" is the Day of the Lord--remember from Zephaniah--judgment & salvation

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THEOLOGICAL CONTRIBUTION

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- "Haggai urged the people to put rebuilding of the Temple at the top of their list of priorities. The rebuilt Temple in Jerusalem was important as a place of worship and sacrifice. Centuries later, at the death of Jesus "the veil of the Temple was torn in two" (Luke 23:45), demonstrating that He had given Himself as the eternal sacrifice on our behalf." CBH
- 2:7; "treasures of all nations"ESV is a prophecy of Christ.

SECULAR CONTRIBUTION

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KEY VERSES

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- 2: 7-9 talk about the Glory of the Temple; and the judgment and salvation of the last Day.
- 7 And I will shake all nations, so that the treasures of all nations shall come in, and I will fill this house with glory, says the Lord of hosts. 8 The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, declares the Lord of hosts. 9 The latter glory of this house shall be greater than the former, says the Lord of hosts. And in this place I will give peace, declares the Lord of hosts." ESV

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REQUIRED READING

■ 2

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WHEN TO TURN HERE

■ How does God act in History?


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LUTHER SAYS:

- "Haggai is the first prophet given to the people after the Babylonian captivity and by his prophecy the temple and the worship of God were set up again..."
- "He prophesies also of Christ in Chapter 2, that he shall soon come as a 'comfort of all nations', by which he indicates in a mystery that the kingdom and the laws of the Jews shall have an end, and the kingdoms of all the world shall be destroyed and become subject to Christ. This has already taken place, and continues to take place until the Last Day when it will all be fulfilled." (LW 35:330)

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MR. MARTIN SAYS:

- Following up on Luther: Mr. Haggai urges that the Temple be rebuilt so that people have a center for worshipping God.
- But, Mr. Haggai points out that the Temple will eventually be **superseded** by Christ.
- 550 years later, Christ replaces the Temple as the center for worshipping God.
- Also, 2:4 "Be Strong" x3; See Joshua 1
- Zerubbabel was the leader of the people.

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LIFE LESSONS FROM HAGGAI

27 Times Haggai says "The Word of the Lord came" [to me]. Why? What does that mean? How would the book be different without those words?

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ACTIVITIES

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Date:

The Short-book Prophets:

The last twelve books of the Old Testament are often referred to as the "Minor Prophets". However, "minor" is a bit of a misnomer, since "minor" refers to the fact that the books are short, and not that the books are, as is the contemporary meaning, "lesser".

These books as a whole really discuss the themes, which will become clear as you read them. They clearly assemble God's plan for humankind, as laid out in Genesis 1:1-2. We see God dealing very clearly with his people--there are clear consequences for their actions. Also, several of these books point toward the coming Messiah through the building of the temple in Jerusalem. This will be the same temple that Jesus visits in John 2:14, and the curtain of which is torn at Jesus' death in Matthew 27:51. These little prophets speak directly with God and often have to tell the people of His terrible judgments against them. Sometimes, they have the honor of telling of God's blessings.

The following are some key verses for each of the twelve short-booked prophets. Read the verses and try to determine the major theme of the book. Feel free to read more verses from the book if you need more help. Please use at least two complete sentences for each. Since there is not enough space below, please answer these using your own lined paper.

- Hosea: 4:1-14:4
- Josiah: 2:1-2:3:20
- Amos: 3:12-9:10-10
- Obadiah: 1:1, 15
- Jonah: 2:1-2:3:10-10
- Micah: 2:12, 12
- Nahum: 1:12-6
- Habakkuk: 1:1-2:6
- Zephaniah: 1:1-2:4:1-12-17
- Haggai: 1:12, 1:13-15
- Zechariah: 8:1-9:12 : 14:1
- Malachi: 1:4: 4:1-6
