

**BUILDING A LIFE OF STEWARDSHIP – PART III**  
**“The Stewardship of Opportunities”**  
**Haggai 1:12-2:19**

God’s people were supposed to rebuild the Temple, but they were to wrapped up in their own concerns rebuilding their own homes. As a result they put God on hold, but suffered dire consequences. When the people repented and straightened out their priorities everything changed. God’s provision was unleashed and they were able complete the Temple. When our priorities in life are honoring to God everything falls into place.

**#1. PRIORITIES THAT DISHONOR GOD NEED TO BE \_\_\_\_\_**  
**AND \_\_\_\_\_, v. 12**

- A. The people feared the Lord – they repented
- B. They obeyed the Lord
- C. They recognized Haggai was sent by the Lord

**#2. PRIORITIES NEED TO BE ESTABLISHED THAT CONSIDER THE**  
**HISTORICAL CIRCUMSTANCES OF OUR \_\_\_\_\_, v. 2**

- A. Returning to the promise land was a new experience
- B. Rebuilding the Temple was a calling on that generation
- C. Rebuilding the Temple enabled future generations to worship God correctly

**APPLICATION POINTS**

- A. Every generation needs to \_\_\_\_\_ their God-given challenge(s)
- B. What are the challenges for our generation?
- C. Individually, every \_\_\_\_\_ of life requires \_\_\_\_\_ priorities

**#3. PRIORITIES THAT HONOR GOD UNLEASH HIS \_\_\_\_\_**  
**TO ACCOMPLISH THEIR GOD-GIVEN ASSIGNMENT, 1:13 – 2:9**

- A. The provision of God’s \_\_\_\_\_, v. 13, Joshua 1:1-9
- B. The provision of God-given \_\_\_\_\_, v. 14, 2:4
- C. The provision of God’s \_\_\_\_\_, 2:5
- D. The provision of God’s \_\_\_\_\_, 2:5
- E. The provision of \_\_\_\_\_, 2:8, Mat 6:33
- F. The provision of God \_\_\_\_\_ our expectations, 2:3, 9, Eph 3:20

**#4. PRIORITIES THAT HONOR GOD UNLEASH HIS \_\_\_\_\_,**  
**2:15-19**

- A. God restored their covenant blessings
- B. God called the priests to repentance
- C. God challenged them to “give careful thought” to their situation
- D. God finally occupied the top place in their lives

**NOTES:**

**ANSWERS:** Recognized, Adjusted, Generation, Discern, Season, New, Presence, Enthusiasm, Covenant Faithfulness, Spirit, Materials, Exceeding, Blessings.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- #1. What does it mean to fear the Lord?
- #2. What was the historical God-given opportunity placed on the generation under consideration? Why did they not see it?
- #3. What were the historical opportunities of the following generations:
  - A. Moses Generation
  - B. Joshua's Generation
  - C. Jesus' Generation
- #4. What historical challenges does the present generation of Christians face for the Lord?
- #5. Discuss how your priorities have changed as you have gone through different seasons of life.
- #6. Read Joshua 1:1-9 and discuss how that passages ties into Haggai 1:13 & 2:5.
- #7. It says in Haggai 1:14 that God "stirred up the spirits" of the people. What does this mean?
- #8. Why is it significant for us that God is always faithful to his covenant?
- #9. God owns all the gold and silver (2:8). In what ways is this encouraging to us when resources are scarce?
- #10. How does Ephesians 3:20 relate to us when we do something for God?
- #11. What is your takeaway from this teaching?

# *Welcome*

*to*

# *Hillcrest Church*

## *Love Acceptance & Forgiveness*

*You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!*

*Matthew 25:21*

*June 25, 2023*

*Pastor Bruce Guckelberg, PhD*

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