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MEMORY. Memorize the dates and leaders of the three waves of the return: (1) 538 BC (Zerubbabel and Joshua), (2) 458 BC (Ezra), and (3) 445 BC (Nehemiah). (Haggai and Zechariah were a part of the first wave, and Malachi was seemingly a part of the second or third wave.)



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READING. Read Haggai. After doing your reading, in the space below write down something that you found to be interesting or important. It can be something that you have never noticed before or something that you want to remember and apply.



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## DISCUSSION.

1. Failure. When did Haggai deliver his first message? (Hag 1:1) What were the people saying? (v. 2) What did God ask the people and then command them to do? (vv. 3-11) How did the people respond, and how did Haggai encourage them? (vv. 12-14)



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2. Glory. When did Haggai deliver his second message? (Hag 2:1) Summarize the content of Haggai's second message (vv. 2-9). How could the latter glory of the second temple exceed that of the first temple? (You may want to consider the "Connection" question before answering this question.)



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3. *Blessing*. When did Haggai deliver his third message? (Hag 2:10) How had the Lord viewed the people and their works before they up to this point? (vv. 11-19a) What would God do now? (v. 19b)



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4. Victory. When did Haggai deliver his fourth message? (Hag 2:20) What did God promise to do? (vv. 21-22) What would happen "on that day" when God judged his enemies? (v. 23) In what way(s) is Jesus the fulfillment of this prophecy? (You may want to consider the "Connection" question before answering this question.)



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CONNECTION. What is the ultimate fulfillment of Hag 2:6, 21 according to Heb 12:26? (Cf. Hag 2:1-9, 20-23; Heb 12:25-29.)



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APPLICATION. Read again Hag 1:1-11. Haggai exhorted the negligent leaders of the people of God and the people themselves to consider their ways. They had ignored a direct command from the Lord and were suffering the consequences. Their later repentance saw the return of divine blessings. God expects his people today to examine themselves and make necessary changes (2 Cor 13:5; Jas 1:21-25)....



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... Take time this week to make a list of your spiritual strengths and weaknesses. Then decide how you will use your strengths and improve your weaknesses.