

## Haggai 2:1-9 Present Temple compared with the First – Future Temple promised

### The Coming Glory of God's House

1 In the seventh month, on the twenty-first of the month, the word of Yahweh (the Lord) came by Haggai the prophet, saying:

2 "Speak now to Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, saying:

3 'Who is left among you who saw this temple in its former glory? And how do you see it now? In comparison with it, is this not in your eyes as nothing?

4 Yet now be strong, Zerubbabel,' says Yahweh (the Lord); 'and be strong, Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; and be strong, all you people of the land,' says Yahweh (the Lord), 'and work; for I am with you,' says Yahweh Tsebaovt (the Lord of Hosts).

5 'According to the word that I covenanted with you when you came out of Egypt, so My Spirit remains among you; do not fear!'

6 "For thus says Yahweh Tsebaovt (the Lord of Hosts): 'Once more (it is a little while) I will shake heaven and earth, the sea and dry land;

7 and I will shake all nations, and they shall come to the Desire of All Nations, and I will fill this temple with glory,' says Yahweh Tsebaovt (the Lord of Hosts).

8 'The silver is Mine, and the gold is Mine,' says Yahweh Tsebaovt (the Lord of Hosts).

9 'The glory of this latter temple shall be greater than the former,' says Yahweh Tsebaovt (the Lord of Hosts). 'And in this place I will give peace,' says Yahweh Tsebaovt (the Lord of Hosts)."

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#### Facts Revealed:

#### The Coming Glory of God's House [Haggai 2:1-9]

- ✧ Comparing the Temple being built by the Jews returning from captivity in Persia with the Temple built by Solomon makes the new Temple appear pitiful to those who had seen Solomon's Temple. [Haggai 2:1-3]
- ✧ Yahweh encouraged them that He is with them just as He was with the people He brought out of Egyptian bondage. [Haggai 2:4-5]
- ✧ Yahweh then looks forward to the Kingdom Age Temple and promised that the glory of the last Temple will surpass the glory of Solomon's Temple. [Haggai 2:5-9]
  - ✧ It will come at a time after Yahweh shakes heaven and earth, the sea and dry land, along with all the nations, which is a reference to the Great Tribulation.
  - ✧ The Kingdom Temple will be filled with the Glory of Yahweh.
  - ✧ In verse 7 where it is written "this" temple the word translated as "this" is the Hebrew word **hazeh** which is often translated as **that, these, this, the one, the other** etc. So it would properly be speaking of a future Temple other than the one they are now building.
  - ✧ In the future Temple they will come to the "Desire of All Nations."
  - ✧ It will certainly be filled with the Glory of Yahweh because He will be reigning in person and visible to all.
  - ✧ Then in verse 9 He clearly mentions the "latter" Temple, which is no other than the Kingdom Temple.

- ✧ The timing of it is when **Yahweh gives peace**, which is a characteristic of the Kingdom Age.
- ✧ Jerusalem has not had **peace** from the time of the building of the Temple in the days of Haggai until now.
- ✧ Since then, the Temple has been destroyed and is now replaced by the Muslim mosque called "The Dome of the Rock" and the site is defiled by foreigners who even threaten the Jews with annihilation.