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“Prophecies of the Prophets Revealed: Rebuilding the Temple”

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Timeline: Setting the stage

The nation of Israel was exiled in three waves (1) the northern tribes to Assyria in 722 BC. (2) The nation of Judah's first in the third year of King Jehoiakim and (3) nineteen years later under the reign of Zedekiah in 587 BC.

2 Chronicles 36:19-21 NKJV 19 Then they burned the house of God, broke down the wall of Jerusalem, burned all its palaces with fire, and destroyed all its precious possessions. 20 And those who escaped from the sword he carried away to Babylon, where they became servants to him and his sons until the rule of the kingdom of Persia, 21 to fulfill the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah, until the land had enjoyed her Sabbaths. As long as she lay desolate she kept Sabbath, to fulfill seventy years.

Jeremiah 25:11-12 NKJV 11 'And this whole land shall be a desolation and an astonishment, and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years. 12 'Then it will come to pass, when seventy years are completed, that I will punish the king of Babylon and that nation, the land of the Chaldeans, for their iniquity,' says the LORD; 'and I will make it a perpetual desolation.

Jeremiah 51:11 NKJV 11 Make the arrows bright! Gather the shields! The LORD has raised up the spirit of the kings of the Medes. For His plan is against Babylon to destroy it, Because it is the vengeance of the LORD, **The vengeance for His temple.**

Daniel recognizes this fulfillment and begins to pray.

Daniel 9:1- 5 AKJV 1 In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the seed of the Medes, which was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans; 2 In the first year of his reign I Daniel understood by books the number of the years, whereof the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah the prophet, that he would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem. And I set my face to the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes: 4 And I prayed to the LORD my God, and made my confession, and said, O Lord, the great and dreadful God, keeping the covenant and mercy to them that love him, and to them that keep his commandments; 5 We have sinned, and have committed iniquity, and have done wickedly, and have rebelled, even by departing from your precepts and from your judgments:

Daniel 9:17-19 AKJV 17 Now therefore, O our God, hear the prayer of your servant, and his supplications, and cause your face to shine on your sanctuary that is desolate, for the Lord's sake. 18 O my God, incline your ear, and hear; open your eyes, and behold our desolations, and the city which is called by your name: for we do not present our supplications before you for our righteousnesses, but for your great mercies. 19 O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive; O Lord, listen and do;

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Announcements

- ***Sat, October 19:** Guest, Rabbi Shapira
- ***Sat, October 19:** Women's Fellowship-after service
- ***Sun, October 20:** Guest, Rabbi Shapira @ PLU (See flyer for details)
- ***Mon, October 21: Night to Honor Israel**
- ***Sat, October 26:** Oneg
- ***Mon, October 28:** Guest, Nevet Basker
- ***Sat, November 2:** Shabbat Service
- ***Mon, November 4:** Torah Study
- ***Sat, November 9:** Oneg
- ***Sun, November 9:** Women's Fellowship-@ Hick's home (See flyer for details)
- ***Mon, November 11:** Torah Study

defer not, for your own sake, O my God: for your city and your people are called by your name. Just as the seventy years of exile are ending, God sends Daniel a vision about seventy weeks or seventy seven's yet to come!

Daniel 9:24 AKJV 24 Seventy weeks are determined on your people and on your holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.

490 years = seventy sevens! At the end of the seventy years, Daniel receives a vision about events that will occur after seventy sevens of years!

Jeremiah 29:10-14 NKJV 10 For thus says the LORD: After seventy years are completed at Babylon, I will visit you and perform My good word toward you, and cause you to return to this place. 11 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope. 12 Then you will call upon Me and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. 13 And you will seek Me and find Me, **when you search for Me with all your heart.** 14 I will be found by you, says the LORD, and I will bring you back from your captivity; I will gather you from all the nations and from all the places where I have driven you, says the LORD, and I will bring you to the place from which I cause you to be carried away captive.

Babylon has been punished for their iniquity; the Medes and Persians have taken over the empire.

Ezra 1:1-2 AKJV 1 Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah might be fulfilled, the LORD stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and put it also in writing, saying, 2 Thus said Cyrus king of Persia, The LORD God of heaven has given me all the kingdoms of the earth; and he has charged me to build him an house at Jerusalem, which is in Judah.

Isaiah 44:28 aKJV 44:28 That said of Cyrus, He is my shepherd, and shall perform all my pleasure: even saying to Jerusalem, You shall be built; and to the temple, Your foundation shall be laid.

Micah 3:12 NKJV 12 Therefore because of you Zion shall be plowed like a field, Jerusalem shall become heaps of ruins, And the mountain of the temple Like the bare hills of the forest.

Micah 4:1 NKJV 1 Now it shall come to pass in the latter days That the mountain of the LORD'S house Shall be established on the top of the mountains, And shall be exalted above the hills; And peoples shall flow to it.

Cyrus issued the decree to rebuild the temple in 536 BC, seventy years after the original captivity of Judah in 606 BC. A second seventy year period is from the beginning of the besiegement of Jerusalem in 589 BC to the decree of the LORD in Haggai in the second year of Darius the Persian in 519 BC to rebuild the temple.

Ezra 1:5-6 AKJV 5 Then rose up the chief of the fathers of Judah and Benjamin, and the priests, and the Levites, with all them whose spirit God had raised, to go up to build the house of the LORD which is in Jerusalem. And all they that were about them strengthened their hands with vessels of silver, with gold, with goods, and with beasts, and with precious things, beside all that was **willingly offered.**

Exodus 35:21-22 AKJV 21 And they came, every one **whose heart stirred him up**, and every one whom his spirit made willing, and they brought the LORD's offering to the work of the tabernacle of the congregation, and for all his service, and for the holy garments. 22 And they came, both men and women, as many as were **willing hearted**, and brought bracelets, and earrings, and rings, and tablets, all jewels of gold: and every man that offered, offered an offering of gold to the LORD.

2 Corinthians 9:7 AKJV Every man according **as he purposes in his heart**, so let him give; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loves a cheerful giver.

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Ezra 2:68-70 AKJV 68 And some of the chief of the fathers, when they came to the house of the LORD which is at Jerusalem, **offered freely** for the house of God to set it up in his place: 69 They gave after their ability to the treasure of the work three score and one thousand drams of gold, and five thousand pound of silver, and one hundred priests' garments. 70 So the priests, and the Levites, and some of the people, and the singers, and the porters, and the Nethinims, dwelled in their cities, and all Israel in their cities.

Leading individuals

Ezra 2:1-2 KJV 1 Now these are the children of the province that went up out of the captivity, of those which had been carried away, whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried away unto Babylon, and came again unto Jerusalem and Judah, every one unto his city; 2 Which came with **Zerubbabel**... Sheshbazzar and Zerubbabel are most likely the same person. Zerubbabel's lineage is difficult to establish without any doubts.

Forefathers of Zerubbabel:

Chronicles (through Solomon)	Matthew (through Solomon)	Luke (through Nathan)
Zerubbabel	Zerubbabel	Zerubbabel
Pedaiah	Shealtiel	Shealtiel
Jeconiah	Jeconiah	Neri
Jehoiakim	Jehoiakim	Melchi
Josiah	Josiah	Addi

Descendants of Zerubbabel(s):

Chronicles	Matthew	Luke
Zerubbabel	Zerubbabel	Zerubbabel
Meshullum, Hananiah, & 5 others	Abiud	Rhesa
Sons of Hananiah: Pelatiah & Jeshiah	Eliakim	Johanna
	Azor	Judah

Zerubbabel: Seed or shoot from Babylon, sown in Babylon

Shelatiel: "I have asked God."

Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel: "I have asked God, and the shoot that is sown in Babylon comes out to rebuild the temple in Jerusalem."

The high priest is Jeshua or Joshua the son of Jehozadak.

Ezra 3:1-2 AKJV 1 And when the seventh month was come, and the children of Israel were in the cities, the people gathered themselves together as one man to Jerusalem. 2 Then stood up **Jeshua the son of Jozadak**, and his brothers the priests, and Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and his brothers, and built the altar of the God of Israel, to offer burnt offerings thereon, as it is written in the law of Moses the man of God.

Yehozadak #3136. יְהוֹזָדָק Yowtsadaq, yo-tsaw-dawk' a form of 3087

#3087. יְהוֹזָדָק Yehowtsadaq, yeh-ho-tsaw-dawk' from 3068 and 6663; Jehovah-righted or whom Jehovah has made just.

Jeshua son of Yehozadak shows us that Jehovah will save the one He has made righteous or just.

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The Decree

Deuteronomy 16:16 NKJV 16 "Three times a year all your males shall appear before the LORD your God in the place which He chooses: at the Feast of Unleavened Bread, at the Feast of Weeks, and at the **Feast of Tabernacles**; and they shall not appear before the LORD empty-handed.

Ezra 3:1-6 AKJV 3:1 And when the **seventh month** was come, and the children of Israel were in the cities, the people gathered themselves together as one man to Jerusalem. 2 Then stood up Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and his brothers the priests, and Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and his brothers, and built the altar of the God of Israel, to offer burnt offerings thereon, as it is written in the law of Moses the man of God. 3 And they set the altar on his bases; for fear was on them because of the people of those countries: and they offered burnt offerings thereon to the LORD, even burnt offerings morning and evening. 4 They kept also the **feast of tabernacles**, as it is written, and offered the daily burnt offerings by number, according to the custom, as the duty of every day required; 5 And afterward offered the continual burnt offering, both of the new moons, and of all the set feasts of the LORD that were consecrated, and of every one that willingly offered a freewill offering to the LORD. 6 From the **first day of the seventh month** began they to offer burnt offerings to the LORD. But the foundation of the temple of the LORD was not yet laid.

They began bringing the offerings on the first day of the Seventh month, on the Feast of Trumpets! The first feast that they actually celebrated was the Feast of Tabernacles, the feast of rejoicing!

Similarities with building Solomon's temple:

Ezra 3:7 NKJV 3:7 They **gave money** also to the masons, and to the carpenters; and meat, and drink, and oil, to them of Zidon, and to them of Tyre, to bring cedar trees from Lebanon to the sea of Joppa, according to the grant that they had of Cyrus king of Persia.

2 Chronicles 2:10 NKJV 10 And indeed **I will give** to your servants, the woodsmen who cut timber, twenty thousand kors of ground wheat, twenty thousand kors of barley, twenty thousand baths of wine, and twenty thousand baths of oil.

2 Chronicles 2:16 NKJV 16 And we will cut wood from Lebanon, as much as you need; we will bring it to you in rafts by sea to Joppa, and you will carry it up to Jerusalem.

Ezra 3:8 AKJV 3:8 Now in the **second year** of their coming to the house of God at Jerusalem, in the **second month**, began Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and the remnant of their brothers the priests and the Levites, and all they that were come out of the captivity to Jerusalem; and appointed the Levites, from twenty years old and upward, to set forward the work of the house of the LORD.

1 Kings 6:1 NKJV 1 And it came to pass in the four hundred and eightieth year after the children of Israel had come out of the land of Egypt, in the fourth year of Solomon's reign over Israel, in the month of Ziv, which is the **second month**, that he began to build the house of the LORD.

Ezra 3:10-11 AKJV 10 And when the builders laid the foundation of the temple of the LORD, they set the priests in their apparel **with trumpets**, and the Levites the sons of Asaph with cymbals, to praise the LORD, after the ordinance of David king of Israel. 11 And they **sang together by course** in praising and giving thanks to the LORD; because he is good, for his mercy endures for ever toward Israel. And all the people shouted with a **great shout**, when they praised the LORD, because the foundation of the house of the LORD was laid.

Leviticus 23:24 YLT 24 `Speak unto the sons of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, on the first of the month, ye have a sabbath, **a memorial of shouting**, a holy convocation;
Stone Edition Chumash: Leviticus 23:24 Stone Edition Chumash: Speak to the Children of Israel, saying: In the seventh month, on the first of the month, there shall be a rest day for you, **a remembrance with shofar blasts**, a holy convocation.

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The day the foundation of the second temple was laid was a day of great shouting, Yom Teruah gadol!

Ezra 3:12-13 AKJV 12 But many of the priests and Levites and chief of the fathers, who were ancient men, that had seen the first house, when the foundation of this house was laid before their eyes, **wept with a loud voice; and many shouted aloud for joy:** 13 So that the people could not discern the noise of the shout of joy from the noise of the weeping of the people: for the people **shouted with a loud shout**, and the noise was heard afar off.

1 Kings 8:1-2 NKJV 1 Now Solomon assembled the elders of Israel and all the heads of the tribes, the chief fathers of the children of Israel, to King Solomon in Jerusalem, that they might bring up the ark of the covenant of the LORD from the City of David, which is Zion. 2 Therefore all the men of Israel assembled with King Solomon at the feast in the month of Ethanim, which is the **seventh month**.

Zerubbabel and Joshua along with the other leaders denied the Samaritans the right to join in the building.

Ezra 4:1-3 AKJV 1 Now when the adversaries of Judah and Benjamin heard that the children of the captivity built the temple to the LORD God of Israel; 2 Then they came to Zerubbabel, and to the chief of the fathers, and said to them, Let us build with you: for we seek your God, as you do; and we do sacrifice to him since the days of Esarhaddon king of Assur, which brought us up here. 3 But Zerubbabel, and Jeshua, and the rest of the chief of the fathers of Israel, said to them, You have nothing to do with us to build an house to our God; but we ourselves together will build to the LORD God of Israel, as king Cyrus the king of Persia has commanded us.

The Samaritans were mostly non-Jews or foreigners who may have married into some of the Jewish families of the northern tribes.

Isaiah 56:3 NKJV 3 Neither let the **son of the stranger**, that has joined himself to the LORD, speak, saying, The LORD has utterly separated me from his people: neither let the eunuch say, Behold, I am a dry tree.

Isaiah 56:6-8 AKJV 6 Also the **sons of the stranger**, that join themselves to the LORD, to serve him, and to love the name of the LORD, to be his servants, every one that keeps the sabbath from polluting it, and takes hold of my covenant; 7 Even them will I bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called an house of prayer for all people. 8 The Lord GOD, which gathers the outcasts of Israel said, Yet will I gather others to him, beside those that are gathered to him.

The Samaritans worshipped other gods alongside the LORD.

2 Kings 17:33-34 AKJV 33 They feared the LORD, and **served their own gods**, after the manner of the nations whom they carried away from there. 34 To this day they do after the former manners: they fear not the LORD, neither do they after their statutes, or after their ordinances, or after the law and commandment which the LORD commanded the children of Jacob, whom he named Israel;

The Jewish people were determined to preserve their race, culture, and religion.

Ezra 2:59 AKJV 2:59 And these were they which went up from Telmelah, Telharsa, Cherub, Addan, and Immer: but **they could not show their father's house**, and their seed, whether they were of Israel:

Ezra 2:62-63 AKJV 62 These sought their register among those that were reckoned by genealogy, but they were not found: therefore were they, as polluted, put from the priesthood. 63 And the Tirshatha said to them, that they should not eat of the most holy things, till there stood up a priest with Urim and with Thummim.

Ezra 9:1-2A KJV 1 Now when these things were done, the princes came to me, saying, The people of Israel, and the priests, and the Levites, **have not separated themselves** from the people of the lands, doing according to their abominations, even of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Jebusites, the Ammonites, the Moabites, the Egyptians, and the Amorites. 2 For they have taken of their daughters for themselves, and for their sons: so that **the holy seed have mingled themselves with the people** of those lands: yes, the hand of the princes and rulers has been chief in this trespass.

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Ezra 4:21 NKJV 21 Now give the command to make these men cease, that this city may not be built until the command is given by me.

In 1918, at the close of World War I, the British took over control of all the land called Palestine which included modern day Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, and Iraq as well as Israel. Most of Palestine was given to the Arabs with only a small portion set aside for Israel.

The Antiquities of the Jews, Book 10 Chapter 9: "Now as to Shalmanezzer, he removed the Israelites out of their country and placed therein the nation of the Cutheans, who had formerly belonged to the inner parts of Persia and Media, but were then called Samaritans, by taking the name of the country to which they were removed; but the king of Babylon, who brought out the two tribes, placed no other nation in their country, by which means all Judea and Jerusalem, and the temple, continued to be a **desert for seventy years**.

The spiritual battles going on at this time were fierce.

Daniel 10:2-4 NKJV 2 In those days I, Daniel, was mourning three full weeks. 3 I ate no pleasant food, no meat or wine came into my mouth, nor did I anoint myself at all, till three whole weeks were fulfilled. 4 Now on the **twenty-fourth day of the first month**, as I was by the side of the great river, that is, the Tigris,

Daniel 10:12-13 AKJV 12 Then said he to me, Fear not, Daniel: for from the first day that you did set your heart to understand, and to chasten yourself before your God, your words were heard, and I am come for your words. 13 But **the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me** one and twenty days: but, see, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me; and I remained there with the kings of Persia.

Daniel 10:21 - 11:1 NKJV 21 "But I will tell you what is noted in the Scripture of Truth. (No one upholds me against these, except Michael your prince. 1 "Also in the first year of Darius the Mede, I, even I, **stood up to confirm and strengthen him.**)

Daniel 12:1 NKJV 1 And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which stands for the children of your people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time your people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book..

Ephesians 6:12-13 NKJV 12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, **against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places**. 13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

There is always a spiritual aspect to anything involving the land of Israel!

Ezra 5:1-2 AKJV 1 Then the prophets, Haggai the prophet, and Zechariah the son of Iddo, prophesied to the Jews that were in Judah and Jerusalem in the name of the God of Israel, even to them. 2 Then rose up Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and began to build the house of God which is at Jerusalem: and with them were the prophets of God helping them.

The name Haggai means my festival or my feast.

Haggai 1:1 NKJV 1:1 In the second year of Darius the king, in the **sixth month, in the first day of the month**, came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet to Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, saying,

Haggai 1:2-8 AKJV 2 Thus speaks the LORD of hosts, saying, This people say, The time is not come, the time that the LORD's house should be built. 3 Then came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet, saying, 4 Is it time for you, O you, to dwell in your paneled houses, and this house lie waste? 5 Now therefore thus said the LORD of hosts; **Consider your ways**. 6 You have sown much, and bring in little; you eat, but you have not enough; you drink, but you are not filled with drink; you clothe you, but there is none warm; and he that earns wages earns wages to put it

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into a bag with holes. 7 Thus said the LORD of hosts; **Consider your ways.** 8 Go up to the mountain, and bring wood, and **build the house**; and I will take pleasure in it, and I will be glorified, said the LORD.

Because they have held back from God, He has held back from them.

Haggai 1:9-11 NKJV 9 You looked for much, and, see it came to little; and when you brought it home, I did blow on it. Why? said the LORD of hosts. Because of my house that is **waste**, and you run every man to his own house. 10 Therefore the heaven over you is stayed from dew, and the earth is stayed from her fruit. 11 And I called for a **drought** on the land, and on the mountains, and on the corn, and on the new wine, and on the oil, and on that which the ground brings forth, and on men, and on cattle, and on all the labor of the hands.

Waste: #2720. חרב chareb, khaw-rabe' from 2717; parched or ruined:--desolate, dry, waste.

Drought: #2721. חרב choreb, kho'-reb (from 2217); drought or desolation:--desolation, drought, dry, heat,

The temple is chareb (waste) so God sent choreb (desolation).

Numbers 15:1-5 AKJV 1 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying, 2 Speak to the children of Israel, and say to them, When you be come into the land of your habitations, which I give to you, 3 And will make an offering by fire to the LORD, a burnt offering, or a sacrifice in performing a vow, or in a freewill offering, or in your solemn feasts, to make a sweet smell to the LORD, of the herd or of the flock: 4 Then shall he that offers his offering to the LORD bring a **meat (grain) offering of a tenth deal of flour mingled** with the fourth part of an **hin of oil**. 5 And the fourth part of an hin of **wine** for a drink offering shall you prepare with the burnt offering or sacrifice, for one lamb.

Hosea 4:8-11 AKJV 8 They eat up the sin of my people, and they **set their heart on their iniquity**. 9 And there shall be, like people, like priest: and I will punish them for their ways, and reward them their doings. 10 For they shall eat, **and not have enough**: they shall commit prostitution, and shall not increase: because they have left off to take heed to the LORD. 11 Prostitution and wine and new wine take away the heart.

Ruth 2:14 NKJV 14 Now Boaz said to her at mealtime, "Come here, and eat of the bread, and dip your piece of bread in the vinegar." So she sat beside the reapers, and he passed parched grain to her; and **she ate and was satisfied, and kept some back**.

Psalms 22:26 AKJV 26 The meek shall **eat and be satisfied**: they shall praise the LORD that seek him: your heart shall live forever.

Isaiah 66:1-2 AKJV 1 Thus said the LORD, The heaven is my throne, and the earth is my footstool: **where is the house that you build to me?** and where is the place of my rest? 2 For all those things has my hand made, and all those things have been, said the LORD: but to this man will I look, even to him that **is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembles at my word**.

Amos 4:6-8 AKJV 6 And I also have given you cleanness of teeth in all your cities, and want of bread in all your places: yet have you not returned to me, said the LORD. 7 And also I have **withheld** the rain from you, when there were yet three months to the harvest: and I caused it to rain on one city, and caused it not to rain on another city: one piece was rained on, and the piece whereupon it rained not withered. 8 So two or three cities wandered to one city, to drink water; but **they were not satisfied**: yet have you not returned to me, said the LORD. What does it mean spiritually to eat of the Land and not be satisfied? They play at religion; they have the form but not the substance.

Luke 18:10-14 NKJV 10 "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. 11 "The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank You that I am not like other men--extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this tax collector. 12 'I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I possess.' 13 "And the tax collector, standing afar off, would not so much as raise his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be

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merciful to me a sinner!' 14 "I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted."

Micah 6:13-15 AKJV 13 Therefore also will I make you sick in smiting you, in making you desolate because of your sins. 14 You shall eat, **but not be satisfied**; and your casting down shall be in the middle of you; and you shall take hold, but shall not deliver; and that which you deliver will I give up to the sword. 15 You shall sow, but you shall not reap; you shall tread the olives, but you shall not anoint you with oil; and sweet wine, but shall not drink wine.

John 6:32-35 AKJV 32 Then Jesus said to them, Truly, truly, I say to you, Moses gave you not that bread from heaven; but my Father gives you the true bread from heaven. 33 For the bread of God is he which comes down from heaven, and gives life to the world. 34 Then said they to him, Lord, ever more give us this bread. 35 And Jesus said to them, **I am the bread of life: he that comes to me shall never hunger**; and he that believes on me shall never thirst.

Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel and Joshua son of Johozadak respond with action.

Haggai 1:12 AKJV 12 Then Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Joshua the son of Josedech, 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 did **fear before the LORD**.

God's command to us today is the same one, "Build the temple, that I may take pleasure in it and be glorified."

1 Corinthians 6:19-20 NKJV 19 Or do you not know that **your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit** who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? 20 For you were bought at a price; therefore **glorify God in your body and in your spirit**, which are God's.

Ephesians 2:18-21 NKJV 18 For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. 19 Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, 20 having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, 21 in whom the whole building, being joined together, **grows into a holy temple** in the Lord,

Haggai 1:13-15 AKJV 13 Then spoke Haggai the LORD's messenger in the LORD's message to the people, saying, **I am with you, said the LORD**. 14 And the **LORD stirred up the spirit** of Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and the spirit of Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, and the spirit of all the remnant of the people; and they came and did work in the house of the LORD of hosts, their God, 15 In the four and twentieth day of the sixth month, in the second year of Darius the king.

Deuteronomy 31:6 NKJV 6 **Be strong** and of a good courage, **fear not**, nor be afraid of them: for the LORD your God, he it is that does go with you; he will not fail you, nor forsake you.

Ezra 5:3-5 NKJV 3 At the same time Tattenai the governor of the region beyond the River and Shethar-Boznai and their companions came to them and spoke thus to them: "Who has commanded you to build this temple and finish this wall?" 4 Then, accordingly, we told them the names of the men who were constructing this building. 5 But the **eye of their God was upon the elders of the Jews, so that they could not make them cease** till a report could go to Darius. Then a written answer was returned concerning this matter. How would Darius rule in this matter? Would the Jewish people be once again removed from their land? Would all their work be destroyed including the altar to the LORD that had been repaired?

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