

## **Reflection and Discussion Questions for the Week of November 11, 2018**

Read Haggai 1:1-11!

**Memorize Haggai 1:5-6a** – *“Now therefore, thus says the Lord of Hosts: Consider your ways. You have sown much and harvested little.”*

What encouraged, challenged and or confused you about this passage or sermon?

1. Describe a time you procrastinated.
2. The Jews returned from 70 years in exile and forgot to rebuild God’s Temple for 15 years. What are some of the reasons why people forget God’s priorities? Which of these do you relate to the most?
3. Verse 5 records, “Now, therefore, thus says the Lord of hosts: Consider your ways.” Imagine the Lord saying that to you. What is the Lord bringing to mind?
4. To summarize verse 6, the Jews sowed much, harvested little; they ate but were never satisfied; their clothes didn’t keep them warm; and their wages were never enough. Why?
5. How does this passage contrast with Jesus’ promises in Matthew 6:19-34?
6. The “prosperity gospel” is rampant in our world and teaches that if you give to God, He will give you what you want. How is this passage not teaching the prosperity gospel?
7. What was the purpose of the rebuilding of God’s Temple? (Hint: Mark 11:17) How could our rebuilding of Temple fulfill this purpose?  
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