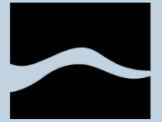


SERMON NOTES

HAGGAI: GOD OF THE DISTRACTED

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BIG IDEA: You can get distracted from what God calls you to do, so refocus your faith on God's unshakable kingdom.

APPLICATION GUIDE

June 4, 2023

DISCUSS

What are some reasons why the people of Israel stopped building the temple? (See also Ezra/Nehemiah)

Why should the concept of the house of the Lord be important to us?

How does the New Testament develop the importance and fulfillment of the temple? (cf. Matthew 12:6; John 1:14; 2:19-21; 1 Corinthians 6:19; 2 Corinthians 6:16; 1 Peter 2:5; Hebrews 12:25-29; Revelation 21:9-10, 22).

APPLY

Share an example of how you get distracted in everyday life (at work, home, family, etc.).

Why do distractions tempt you? What do they reveal about what your heart truly wants and loves?

What distracts you from pursuing Christ? What becomes a higher priority than God in your life?

What changes could you make in your life so that you become more self-controlled with distractions and refocus on Kingdom priorities rather than your own (Matthew 6:33)?

COMMIT

Compose a list of your top 5 distractions and create a plan for eliminating them so that you can refocus on Christ and His Kingdom.