



## Becoming Builders

Haggai 1:1–15 || Pastor Dayton Dodge || July 9, 2017

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## Discussion Questions

1. Take a few minutes to set the scene. Who was the message of Haggai delivered to? What were some significant markers in their history that frame their current circumstances?
2. Look at Deuteronomy 28, focusing on the blessings in verses 1, 4–5, 11–12 and the curses in verses 15, 17–18, 22.
  - How do we see that playing out in Haggai 1?
  - What circumstances in your life is God allowing or bringing about in order to turn your heart toward Him? How are you responding to those?
3. While Haggai's audience was called to rebuild God's physical house, we now carry that story forward by building God's spiritual house (Ephesians 2:19–22). Reflect on the opportunities God has given you right now. Where are you called to become a builder of God's glory and influence?
4. The Israelites had a number of excuses and distractions (even some good things!) that kept them from becoming builders. What are common things that get in the way for you?
5. As you consider becoming a builder of God's glory and influence, what's one step you can take to say "yes" to that this week?

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