

# Haggai – Building The Temple

## Today's Message:

- Are we devoting ourselves to build Christ's Temple?
- Do we just spend all our blessings building our own houses?

# The Christian Temple – The Church

- Ephesians 2:20-22

“[You] are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In Him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.”

- Church is the temple
- Individual Christians make up the pieces of this House of God

# The Christian Temple – The Church

- 1 Corinthians 3:11-15

“For no one can lay a foundation other than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, each one's work will become manifest...and the fire will reveal what sort of work each one has done. If the work that anyone has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. If anyone's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire”

- Jesus is the foundation
- We build on that foundation...what we build must be strong

# The Christian Temple – The Church

- 1 Corinthians 3:16-17

“Do you not know that you are God’s Temple and that God’s Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God’s temple, God will destroy him. For God’s Temple is holy, and you are that Temple”

- Division in the church in Corinth
- Entire book is about divisions in this church

# The Christian Temple – The Church

- Ephesians 4:16

“Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into Him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love.”

- Every person strengthens and holds the Church/Body/Temple together by the works of love they do

# The Christian Temple – The Individual

- 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

“Or do you not know that your body is a Temple of the Holy Spirit within you whom you have from God? You are not your own, for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.”

- Individual Christians body is a Temple
- What tears down the Temple?
- What builds up the Temple?

# The Christian Temple – The Individual

- John 15:8-12

“By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples...

Vs 12...This is my commandment, that you love one another”

- Glorify God in our body by....
  - Bearing fruit
  - Keeping His commandment...LOVE ONE ANOTHER