



**Series: The Minor Prophets**

**Lesson: 42. Haggai, pt. 1 – Consider**

**Your Ways!**

**Passage: Hag. 1**

- **Introduction to Haggai**

- Author: Haggai

- Date: 520 BC

- Context (v1):

- Zerubbabel –

- Joshua –

- Ezra 3:8–4:5; 4:24–5:2 –

- **The Israelites built lives of \_\_\_\_\_ for themselves instead of doing God’s work. (vv2–4)**

- ‘Paneled houses’ –

- What are *our* ‘paneled houses’? (cf. Matt. 6:19–21)

- **Obstacles don't mean 'Don't follow God's \_\_\_\_\_.**
  - Persecution is *not* a reason to disobey God.
    - Just because it doesn't make sense to us doesn't mean it's not God's will (cf. Is. 55:8–9).
  - 6 reasons for setbacks in our lives:
    - Guidance toward God's will (Acts)
    - \_\_\_\_\_ (Jn. 15:1-2)
    - Testing (Gen. 22:1-19)
    - \_\_\_\_\_ (Jn. 15:18-20)→Ezra 4:1-5
    - God's glory (Job)
    - ' \_\_\_\_\_ ' (Hag. 1:5-11)
  
- **Sometimes God will NOT allow us to succeed in order to draw our attention to undealt-with \_\_\_\_\_ . (vv5–11)**
  - We like to 'consider God's ways,' but sometimes, His answer back is 'Consider \_\_\_\_\_ ways!'
  - They could not get ahead in life *because* of their disobedience.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ took ownership of the calamities that befell them.
  - God \_\_\_\_\_ us enough that He actively brings 'setbacks' to get our attention (cp. Rom. 1:24 vs. Heb. 12:5–6).

- How should we respond when we are \_\_\_\_\_? (vv12–15)
  - \_\_\_\_\_ → \_\_\_\_\_
  - God's response: \_\_\_\_\_
  - \_\_\_\_\_!
  - Notice: \_\_\_\_\_ created the obedience!

### What Do We Do with This Text?

1. What is hindering our \_\_\_\_\_?
2. WHEN we encounter \_\_\_\_\_, it's okay to ask why—and then worship God for them.
3. Is God \_\_\_\_\_ us of sin in our lives?

**Blanks:** comfort, commands, Pruning, Persecution, Wake-up calls, sin, YOUR, God, loves, convicted, Conviction, Reverence, Reassurance, Action, God, obedience, setbacks, convicting