

Future glory:

- 3rd vision(3a keep strong to finish the work) (1st vision- 1 priorities; 2 stirring and commitment) 3b/ Stay strong to finish- final part of it- ...
- This week Haggai is talking about the Future – they had worried about it- But Haggai paints a bright picture due to messiah's coming
- Application-Great destination ahead as a part of Christ's church, but its Difficult path- we need sign posts along the way lest we turn back wards! Haggai gives the sign posts
- We have great hope to keep building God's church- "FUTURE GLORY" is assured- we Expect several things to happen in church prior to Jesus return

Love(manifest)	Christ-Centred(Foundational)	Empowering(grace)	Practical(Faith)	Contemporary(relevant)	Balanced(wise)
Point	what it means	Significance	Word pictures / examples / definitions		
1Glory despite appearances	<p>Fearful Jews struggled to build the temple -- Enemies and surrounding nations appeared so powerful, temple <u>appeared</u> like nothing!</p> <p>God is saying keep working! –Glory is coming despite appearances!!</p> <p>(Isaiah13:13- God in anger shakes) -I'm going to shake everything + nations, but this place will be filled with glory! Desired of nations come. This place will unshakable! all in opposition will be shaken and fall.</p>	<p>Confirmed in new testament: Whatever is of the kingdom will not and cannot be shaken! So we need to be in church, build our lives on principle - its where the kingdom is!!</p> <p>Hebrews12:27 The words "once more" indicate the removing of what can be shaken--that is, created things--so that what cannot be shaken may remain. HEB 12:28 Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably....</p> <p>But, this verse has a future meaning- the second coming of Jesus is the coincide with great shaking of the universe as we know it!</p>	<p>Jesus warned before the end; shaking! LK 21:25 "There will be signs in the sun, moon and stars. On the earth, nations will be in anguish and perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea. 26 Men will faint from terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the world, for the heavenly bodies <u>will be shaken</u>. 27 At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. 28 When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."</p>	<p>Shakings will come and have already started!</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • God is shaking economies, government, churches- some collapsing- corruption • Environmental shakings- Pollution- barrier reef gone soon. Global warming Islands flooded-millions displaced; fires and floods! • Every thing that is not built in his kingdom or his principle is falling or collapsing • Do you feel threatened to step out for God? The world seems great and powerful and church despised and weak -Know this- God will shake every thing till nothing is left standing except His kingdom -his son.! 	<p>I want to thank God for shaking the world- not sure if I would be a Christian otherwise!! - My family was displaced during the second world war -conflicts arose in family –no bible foundation- it collapsed! If I had not gone through the pain I would never have appreciated my salvation as I do today! -When I went to church I could see the glory; could see Jesus was everything I wanted- desired of the nations!!</p> <p>God uses shaking to make church glorious- Acts 16- earth quake... what must I do to be saved?...</p>
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Times of shakings pave the way for Glory!	Hold on to God, keep building his house and you will become unshakable! Christ is the answer!	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Careful to build on kingdom principles- lives not built on principle-"parable of house built on sand" • Stuff going wrong in your life? -not careful collapsing ?financial problems? Marriage problems? Etc....built on God? 	<p>God is shaking; what do we do? Run? Help those that are being shaken!- Looking for something to hand on to- his daughter is on ecstasy,.....</p>	<p>God called us to be unshakable – work at it despite appearances! Future glory is assured</p> <p>PS 112:4 Even in darkness light dawns for the upright, for the gracious and compassionate and righteous man. PS 112:5 Good will come to him who is generous and lends freely, who conducts his affairs with justice. PS 112:6 <u>Surely he will never be shaken</u>.</p>	

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2Glory despite lack!	<p>They lacked finances- but is saying Keep building – I have the silver and gold!- Solomons day had unlimited gold and silver....</p> <p>God was saying this temple will be greater than the former one</p> <p>Don't worry God's resources don't lack Present house will be greater due to the messiah- Keep building!</p>	<p>How do we build the temple with glory, without money? God will provide what is lacking! Keep building it!!</p> <p>How do I serve God effectively when I have no money? Little income?</p> <p>Maybe you have bills and debts....and</p> <p>But, God wants us to build; he has the provision! Well above our ability to make it glorious!</p> <p>Service costs us personally Petrol, food, etc... But God can provide!</p>	<p>Confirmed.... Immediate future– messiah came-just 12 men - God's presence made the early church powerful!</p> <p>Future glory in Christ! We cannot change ourselves! God can! 1 John 3:2 Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when he appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. 3 Everyone who has this hope in him purifies himself, just as he is pure.</p> <p>No more flaws!...looking forw.</p>	<p>The latter house-ent times church will be greater than the former! No budget plan! Glory was God's presence!</p> <p>Old temple focused more on outward glory, but God wants to provide inner glory! 1 Peter-3 :3Your beautyshould be that of your inner self, the unfading beauty of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is of great worth in God's sight. 5 For this is the way the holy women of the past who put their hope in God used to make themselves beautiful. - choose character over looks! - she loves Gods word not diamonds!! Etc...</p>	<p>"Christ <u>in you</u> is the hope of glory!" Used to worry about my inadequacies and weaknesses, then we discover Christ in us!</p> <p>Boast in weaknesses!</p>
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<p>Times of Greater glory-God will provide it! Don't fear!</p> <p>Glory despite lack!</p>	<p>Phil 4:19 And my God will meet all your needs according to his glorious riches in Christ Jesus.</p>	<p>Prosperity is good, but am I really prospering for God?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> World is greedy- borrow more, earn more, have more credit cards! Etc...more debt on mortgages than ever Trust God more! God can provide!...walk by faith: PR 28:22 A stingy man is eager to get rich and is unaware that poverty awaits him. Give your best for others... You will borrow to many and lend from none. 	<p>Serve God, build his temple- He has to prosper us....</p> <p>- Silver is mine, gold is mine</p> <p>-Loren Cunningham In Switzerland; needed a mission base- God spoke to the intercessors- farm- so he bought a field</p>	<p>Step out in faith when starting churches, we may not have money but God will provide-</p> <p>Glory will be greater and greater! We cant build cathedrals but the glory of God will make up for it!</p>	

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<p>3Glory through peace</p> <p>“And in this place I will grant peace”</p>	<p>I will grant peace.....</p> <p>Messiah would enable peace, security from all their enemies-temple would be a peaceful abode</p> <p>Keep building it!!</p> <p>Future assured of total peace!</p>	<p>Jesus is establishing a peaceful kingdom-</p> <p>The church is destined to be refuge in the end and increasingly in these days!</p> <p>Parents where do I send my kids without them getting hurt or cheated?- church!!</p> <p>Peace is assured in end times</p>	<p>Future reign of peace No more weapons of mass destruction-amazing to see how much is spent on weapon though they are not used??</p> <p>ISA 9:5 Every warrior's boot used in battle and every garment rolled in blood will be destined for burning, will be fuel for the fire. ISA 9:6 For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. ISA 9:7 Of the increase of his government and peace there will be no end.</p>	<p>We will go to the zoo in heaven without fear of being mauled!!</p> <p>ISA 11:5 Righteousness will be his belt and faithfulness the sash around his waist. ISA 11:6 The wolf will live with the lamb, the leopard will lie down with the goat, the calf and the lion and the yearling together; and a little child will lead them.</p>	<p>We experience that peace now too</p> <p>church is a Peaceful community –attractive</p> <p>‘1TH 4:11 Make it your ambition to lead a quiet life, to mind your own business and to work with your hands, just as we told you, 12 so that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody.- won't find us in unemployed and making trouble!</p> <p>‘Follow the way of peace’ –we are demanding rights and making a fuss, manners!</p>
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<p>Glory through peace</p>	<p>We should be compelled to find peace in Christ/church and thru knowing Jesus personally</p> <p>Jesus is the prince of peace</p>	<p>Let anger build up- Anger becomes hostility Matthew 5: do not murder But I say do not be angry with your brother....say fool you are in danger of the fires!</p> <p>Don't antagonize; sit on your mail over night.</p>	<p>We are forgiven a great deal- we were enemies with God; show that peace t other-stopped talking to people? Show peace, by forgiving; feels great....</p>	<p>God's nature is peace-we don't make things happen by scaring people or yelling at people</p> <p>ISA 42:1 "Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen one in whom I delight; I will put my Spirit on him and he will bring justice to the nations. ISA 42:2 He will not shout or cry out, or raise his voice in the streets. ISA 42:3 A bruised reed he will not break, and a smoldering wick he will not snuff out. In faithfulness he will bring forth justice;</p>	
<p>Conclusion</p> <p>Future temple is assured to be a refuge: Unshakable, glorious without lack, and peaceful- messiah will return to fulfill all this completely!</p>					