

Week beginning 12th May 2019

Twelve dead men speak

Haggai

Welcome



What do you enjoy building or what did you enjoy building as a child?

15 mins 12/5

Worship



Share things to give thanks for. Sing some songs.

20 mins 12/5

Word



Haggai is quite specific as to the date of his prophecies: 520BC. The Jews have returned from exile and the city of Jerusalem is being rebuilt, but the temple is still in ruins. There is only one book in the Old Testament shorter than Haggai, so you may want to read the whole book.

Read Haggai 1:1—15

Why do you think Haggai chose to speak to both the civil and religious leaders?
Why is the temple still a ruin? What excuses do the people make for not doing the work?
What is Haggai's message to them?
How did they respond to Haggai's call?
How did God help them in their task?
What does this passage tell us about our priorities?

Read Haggai 2:1—9

How long have the people been working?
Why does Haggai speak now?
What feelings does the temple evoke in the people?
How will God shake the heavens, the earth, all nations?
What does 'the desired of all nations' refer to?
What dreams of yours have been shattered?
How might God be building you into temple of his glory?

10 mins 12/5

Witness



Thy Kingdom Come begins on Thursday 30th May, Ascension Day and runs until Sunday 9th June. This is an opportunity to focus on prayer, particularly prayer for people to become Christians. Think about who you could pray for during this time. There will be more information about events shortly.

10 mins 12/5