

THE KEY OF DAVID

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VOICEOVER:

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Greetings, everyone.

Did you know that God said He would give us a *sign* of when He was going to shake the nations in this end time? He said there would be a *sign*, and *all* of that shaking would lead right up to the Second Coming of Jesus Christ. And God has already—according to this sign—*started* shaking the nations. And some of that is done in a violent way, some maybe not so violent, but still very, very moving and stirring events that would have a lot to do with bringing the nations down. Just before His Second Coming, of course, all of this happens.

We have just written, or I have written a new updated booklet on *Haggai*, and God has given some *new* understanding, *new* truth about what this little book means for us today. Now I think it ought to be very sobering, it also should be as *inspiring*, perhaps, as anything we've ever heard because it's all just tied, step-by-step-by-step, right down to the Second Coming of Jesus Christ.

God *does* shake the nations in different ways, and He just keeps His church attuned to everything that's going on. I mean in very *specific* ways and in very *direct* ways that we *all* need to understand. We're living in a terrible world. We see problems just *everywhere*. We're just *deluged* with problems. And we talk about often the nuclear weapons that are proliferating around this Earth like a deadly plague, and that has to be sobering to us. But Jesus Christ talked about that almost two thousand years ago, and said it *would* happen *just before* His Second Coming. In fact, He would have to *intervene* and cut it short! How many people *believe* that today in religion, any kind of religion? Certainly even in Christianity you don't see much belief in that area, do you? I don't.

Notice Haggai 2 and verse 7. Haggai 2 and verse 7, "And I will shake all nations," But when is God doing to do that? I mean He *obviously* has to let us know when and how, or why tell us? Well, He's obviously going to tell us *when*. So let's take note here and see when God *does* let us know this.

"And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory," this spiritual house, with glory, God's church, "saith the LORD of hosts."

So here is a specific and dramatic time when God begins to shake the nations. But we have to get the overview, and we give you that on our book on *The United States and Britain in Prophecy*. It certainly lays the foundation for understanding a prophecy like we have here in Haggai, and it's all for this end time. So there is a definite time setting that I'm going to show you, and also a *very specific sign* that God would give this Earth about when He was going to begin to shake the nations. And frankly, it starts with three nations. I mean the specificity of all of this is just amazing, how direct God gets, and how detailed He gets in these prophecies. And yet it seems like very little attention is paid to them.

So when does God begin to, or in what time frame does God do this shaking of the nations? Well, let's look at Haggai 2 and verse 23. Haggai 2 and verse 23, "In that day," Now you can check the scriptures and I think *many* commentaries will tell you this, but *in that day* always means *in this end time*, in this end time that we've living in right now, *just before* the coming of the Messiah. Many scholars, though, will tell you that Haggai is just history, or they're not even *sure* if it's prophecy, and that's just sheer nonsense when you read the words that are stated here, if you really believe God. It's amazing how those things don't seem to get through to so many people.

Notice here, let's go on. "In that say, saith the LORD of hosts, will I take thee, O Zerubbabel," A man, "my servant, the son of Shealtiel, saith the LORD, and will make thee as a signet: for I have chosen thee, saith the LORD of hosts."

So you can look for a man in this end time that would be a signet. But what is a signet? What is that? Let me read to you from my new *Haggai* booklet, which we will offer you at the end of this program. It's now going to the press to be printed, and I think will be finished by the time you write for it. If not, it'll be ready very shortly after that. But notice what it says here about *signet*: "Why does God say He made this end-time Zerubbabel a signet? Unger's Bible Dictionary defines signet as 'an impression made that had the same legal validity as his actual signature.'"

In other words, I can sign a check and it can be cashed without my *being* there. Well, here is a signet. There was a man that came to this Earth and restored all things on this Earth, and God says "I'm going to make him a signet." And then everything you do after he's gone—and he's come and gone—then you build on that work. And his work and his message will be an *authority*, a *signet* of God's authority and God's signature, if you will, about how things must be done. So there is a formula that must be followed, or a specification that must be there that others are to follow.

Now a little further down, let me read you a little more about this definition. This is from the Anchor Bible Commentary, says this about the signet: "The use of such a seal was the way of carrying out the authority of the person to whom the seal belonged. It is like using a king's ring to stamp a document."

In this case, the leader is dead and so you have to use this as a signet. It's like God's signature, frankly, because God did it through a man. So He says, "All right, now this is all My authority, and I want you to follow what he laid down and taught, because he did

restore *all things* in this end time.” So there must not have been much there at all, when he came, spiritually. This is an *amazing* prophecy.

So in the booklet, I’ll go on to mention here about building on his message and work. “The whole idea of the signet is about God and His government. God reveals a signet’s meaning only to those who submit to His government. The signet is an emblem or seal of authority. God’s authority, Zerubbabel, is the signet, but he is God’s signet. The only reason you need the signet is if the person in authority is not there.”

So he’s not here, but still he left behind a message and a work, and it all has God’s authority. If you’re proving all things you *know* that, and you can *prove* that. So this has to be a *powerful* work that this man did for God to even use it as a signet. In other words, everything revolves around that signet in the *final phase* of this same work, *just before* Christ returns. The second phase will lead right up to the very Second Coming of Jesus Christ, Himself. That’s how important it is to understand this. So you know there had to be a powerful work that preceded God’s little remnant that *conclude* that work in this age, or the age of man ruling over man. So there are two works, but they’re tied together as one work, and it leads right up to Christ’s Coming.

Let’s see now a little bit more about Zerubbabel in this end time by looking at *another* end-time prophecy over in Zechariah 3 and verse 8. And this is all explained in this booklet on Haggai that we will send to you, and I think you will just be absolutely stirred and moved by this little booklet like, perhaps, no other you’ve ever read and studied. And I hope you will study it because it is just an *awe-inspiring message* from God, Himself.

Notice verse 8 of Zechariah 3. “Hear now, O Joshua the high priest, thou, and thy fellows that sit before thee: for they *are* men wondered at:” Or men of *sign*—they’re actually a sign, too, but a *negative* sign, they’re rebels, “for, behold, I will bring forth my servant the BRANCH.” He’s talking about, that’s a capital B, all of the word is capitalized in the King James, because this is referring to Jesus Christ, that this *rebellion* that happened after an end-time type of Zerubbabel died, and the people of God rebelled, then they are actually a sign that, well, that era is going to usher in the return of Christ, Himself. Now how important is that?

This is that last or lukewarm or Laodicean Era, and you’ll see there in verse 1 of that chapter that the leader is in the bonds of the devil, and it’s *his* fellows—Joshua’s fellows, this evil, lawless Joshua—*his* fellows and not God’s fellows. But God is going to use them as a *sign* that Jesus Christ is returning, as well. It’s about the Second Coming.

But He has a more specific sign of what is going to happen when He begins all this and *shakes the nations*, and He’s going to show us that there’s a *starting point* of that. There’s a time when it starts, but it’s all in the timeframe of that signet talked about in Haggai 2 and verse 23.

But notice what this all leads into. If you think this is bad news, think again because here’s the end result of all this and it happens “in that day.” You see, “in that day” has some *bad* news, but it’s *all* the more gloriously *good news* you could ever hear in its conclusion.

Verse 10, “In that day, saith the LORD of hosts,” In that day, again, you see, in these latter days, in this end time, it’s OBVIOUSLY the end time. Notice the context tells you that. “In that day, saith the LORD of hosts, shall ye call every man his neighbor under the vine and under the fig tree.”

So God is going to be here, He’s going to be ruling. He’s going to give every family a plot of land so they can have a wonderful, peaceful life and nobody will ever disturb that peace again. Can you believe that? Can you and I believe these marvelous prophecies about what is going to come on this Earth very, very soon? And the events have *already* begun. God has already started shaking the nations. It’s going to lead *directly* into that event. Now that’s powerfully inspiring and wonderful information, and it all happens “in that day.” In that day, in that Wonderful World Tomorrow that God is going to rule over and bring this Earth the peace that they *should* have had thousands of years ago if they’d only listened to God.

Now there’s *hope* in this message, there’s all kinds of hope, and this world needs hope, and God has *given* us hope, but most people refuse to *believe* it. They don’t want to believe it because, then, well, that might require something of them. They might be required to *do something*, and of course they *are* required to do that. We *all* are if we’re going to obey God.

Haggai 4 and verse 9. I’m sorry. Zechariah 4 and verse 9 where it says, “The hands of Zerubbabel” Here’s Zerubbabel again in this end time *type* of Zerubbabel today. “The hands of Zerubbabel have laid the FOUNDATION of this house; his hands shall also finish it; and thou shalt know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me unto you.”

So Zerubbabel came on the scene and did a work, he restored all things. God said he was going to *finish* it. He *did* finish it, and then he died, and then the church rebelled, and then there was a little remnant that had to raise up the ruins, and really do a small version of what this end-time Zerubbabel did in many ways, with a much more specific and disturbing message, in a way, but also much more specific in some of the *wonderful* things that are about to unfold.

But it says, we wrote in the *Haggai* booklet that “This is talking about a hands-on operation by a man in the latter days. That verse twice mentions ‘hands,’ designating a starting and finishing of a project. The Anchor Bible Commentary says ‘*hands*’ is literal, and expresses participation in temple building. That is, it was built by God through a human being with hands, not built without hands, as Christ often builds and destroys. And the scriptures say it’s without hands.”

But he finished his work, and another work, then, would come on the scene after this end-time Zerubbabel, and that timeframe is when God would begin to *shake the nations*. I mean, He’s going to have to *shake them* to their senses until He can get some sense into their heads. He’s going to shake them, and He’s going to shake them just as *violently* as He *has* to, to get them to repent. That’s what it’s all about.

Now the commentaries will tell you that that section right there, verses 6 through most of verse 10, about two-thirds of verse 10, they are all an *inset* in this chapter about Zerubbabel. All these chapters here are about a lukewarm era that came on the scene *after* Zerubbabel and then God puts an *inset* there to show the people where they went astray, and why they're not doing God's work and they're not being successful like Zerubbabel was.

It says of him in verse 6, it wasn't by power, or human power and ability, but by God's *Spirit* that he did that. It's the power of God was used to build that great work, and that's the same work that we're talking about over in Haggai 2 and verse 23.

But let's conclude this here in Zechariah 4, verse 11. "Then answered I, and said unto him, What *are* these two olive trees" Which is the Father and the Son, "upon the right *side* of the candlestick and upon the left *side* thereof? (12) And I answered again, and said unto him, What *be* these two olive branches" You see, there are TWO olive branches, TWO end-time works before Christ gets here, TWO olive branches, "which through the two golden pipes empty the golden *oil* out of themselves?"

God has just poured golden oil through two men in this end time and two churches in this end time. Golden oil—wonderful, wonderful truth about this future, and yet men often *scoff* at that!

Verse 13, "And he answered me and said, Knowest thou not what these *be*? And I said, No, my lord. (14) Then said he, These *are* the two anointed ones, that stand by the Lord of the whole earth."

So these two different works in this end time. A Zerubbabel-type, and then another man coming along and continuing the message right up to the Second Coming of Jesus Christ. And in that timeframe is when God shakes the nations, but we need to look at that *specific* example of how God does that. We need to look at that.

Now, the booklet of *Haggai* will explain all this to you in detail. It is quite an in-depth subject, and there's a lot that I can't cover and won't bring to your attention, but in a way the most inspiring part of it is in the booklet that I can't even talk about today because I don't have time to get it all in, and it's a little more difficult to explain and make clear in a short program like this.

But God is going to shake the nations in that second work that is coming on the scene in this end time.

Now let me just quickly go over another version of this same work because the time setting is the same. Now notice this. Matthew 16 and verse 28, "**Verily I say unto you, There be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom.**"

So this is a vision of the Second Coming of Jesus Christ, which is what I've been talking about throughout this program. But look at what happens just before that Second Coming. Notice what happens actually in that work of Zerubbabel, as it's called in

Haggai. But there's another type here. The Bible talks frequently about *types* of men in this end time that are a type of men of the past.

[Matthew 17] Verse 10, "And his disciples asked him, saying, Why then say the scribes that Elijah must first come?" That is, *before* the Second Coming.

(11) "And Jesus answered and said unto them, **Elijah truly shall first come, and restore all things.**"

So there was again, this same work. It's here called the Elijah work, telling us about the *type* of work it is, and the Zerubbabel work about a *building* work. It just tells you the different types of one work, but it's all done *through* one man until he dies, and then there's *another* type that comes on the scene, a type that a man fulfills in this end time in the last days when God begins to shake the nations, when He begins to shake the nations. So we're talking about, again, the same, very same work that I was talking to you about in Haggai 2 and verse 23. It's obviously in the last days, and this is the Zerubbabel work, but in Haggai we're talking about the work that *follows* that Zerubbabel work. And he becomes a signet because he restored all things. Obviously God isn't going to restore all things *again*.

So before the Second Coming an Elijah-type is going to come on the scene, and he's going to be followed by another work talked about in Haggai.

So let's go back now to Haggai 2 and verse 7 and see what that specific sign is that God gives us about *when* He's going to shake the nations, when it starts. How can we know when it begins? Well, because, again, all that shaking is not just violently tearing them apart. It starts with very serious problems, but God is responsible for all of it because He's beginning to try to get our attention, and it's going to take a lot of shaking in many cases. And the more God has to shake, the more He'll shake, but we as individuals—if we let God shake *us* individually and get this message—then we're going to be protected from all this trouble that is going to come during the shaking of the nations.

Notice, let's read verse 7 again. Let's read verse 7 again, "And I will shake all nations, and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts."

So here He says, "I'm going to shake ALL nations." But when does it begin? We need to know when it begins. All right. Verse 9, notice this, "The glory of this latter house," This is a spiritual house, "shall be greater than of the former," In other words, Zerubbabel's temple wasn't nearly as great as Solomon's. But this latter house is *spiritual*, and it's much greater than both of them, both of those *physical* temples. So He's talking about the spiritual temple, or the people of God, the sons of God that are more valuable than anything else physical, obviously. Then God says, "The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the LORD of hosts: and in this place will I give peace, saith the LORD of hosts."

He's going to give peace in a physical house that I'm going to show you here. He talks about the spiritual house, but then He says "in this place," so there's going to be a

physical house, as well. That's why He says "in this place," to let us know that. And in this end time work there's going to be a physical house of God, just like there was a physical house in that era of Zerubbabel. Remember, we raise up the ruins, and just in many ways *duplicate* the work of Zerubbabel. He was a builder! Zerubbabel built the temple, and this end-time Zerubbabel was a builder—both spiritually and physically—for God.

And so this end time work when the nations are shaken, are going to be shaken, also builds a house for God, a physical house. Let me read that to you here. "Notice, God says 'in this place.' The meaning in Hebrew defines it as a physical place. 'In this place,' God says, 'will I give peace.' In this verse God is discussing a spiritual AND a physical house. That is why 'in this place' is added. That way, we can see that it's also about a physical house." It's about a physical house.

"We have peace 'in this place.' The context clearly tells us that there is a physical house on Earth where God gives peace as He shakes the nations."

That is a PHENOMENAL prophecy. See, God builds a physical house at the same time He starts to shake the nations. Now, this will *all* be explained to you very specifically in the booklet of *Haggai* that we will send to you absolutely free, and you will find it one of the most stirring books that you've ever studied or read in your life! I'm absolutely convinced of that!

So I hope you'll write for this book right away, and we'll send it to you just as quickly as we can, and I know you'll be happy you wrote for it.

Until next week, this is Gerald Flurry. Goodbye, friends.

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