
Why We May Never Have Enough

What's in the book?

Chapter 1:

Verses 1-11:

Israel's **spiritual attacks** were from **THE Spirit**.

Verses 7-8:

They put their own **pleasure** ahead of God's **pleasure**.

Verses 12-15:

The **stirring** of the **Spirit** came after the **servicing** of the **Spirit**.

Chapter 2:

Verses 1-9:

It was not the size of the **sacrifice** that mattered, it's the fact that it was a **sacrifice**.

Verses 10-19:

Living in the **Holy Land** did not make them **Holy**.

Verses 19-23:

They had to become the **people** of God, in order to receive the **blessings** of God.

"Give careful thought"

Life Group Study Questions

For the week of November 11, 2018

This week is a CIRCLE / HIGHLIGHT / UNDERLINE Study in Matthew 6. The verses below are part of what's commonly known as Jesus' "Sermon on the Mount." In this chapter, Jesus talks specifically about hypocrisy in giving, how to pray, fasting, material desires, and even dealing with anxiety and learning to trust God – all topics similar to what Haggai was addressing with the Israelites.

CIRCLE / HIGHLIGHT / UNDERLINE: Grab your pen and highlighter and dig in to the passages below!

1. **Circle/ highlight** any words or phrases that catch your attention.
2. **Underline** the verse you see as most important to remember.
3. **Put an X** next to anything that confuses you.
4. **Summarize** each passage in one sentence as you'd say it to a friend.

Matthew 6

v. 19-21 – ¹⁹“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moths and vermin destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. ²⁰But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moths and vermin do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. ²¹For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

We know planning for the future requires sacrifice, but as verse 19 says above we can't miss investing in a "500 year" plan. With that in mind, what might that look like now ...at your work and in your career? ...with friends and family (spouse, siblings, parents, or children)? ...free time?

YOUR THOUGHTS

v. 22-24 – ²²“The eye is the lamp of the body. If your eyes are healthy, your whole body will be full of light. ²³But if your eyes are unhealthy, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light within you is darkness, how great is that darkness! ²⁴“No one can serve two masters. Either you will hate the one and love the other, or you will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.

Can you think of any examples of new perspectives and priorities in your life resulting from your commitment to follow Jesus?

YOUR THOUGHTS

v. 25-34 – ²⁵“Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes? ²⁶Look at the birds of the air; they do not sow or reap or store away in barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not much more valuable than they? ²⁷Can any one of you by worrying add a single hour to your life? ²⁸“And why do you worry about clothes? See how the flowers of the field grow. They do not labor or spin. ²⁹Yet I tell you that not even Solomon in all his splendor was dressed like one of these. ³⁰If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? ³¹So do not worry, saying, ‘What shall we eat?’ or ‘What shall we drink?’ or ‘What shall we wear?’ ³²For the pagans run after all these things, and your heavenly Father knows that you need them. ³³But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. ³⁴Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

True or False – *It's never okay to worry.*

We all worry at times. What do you tend to worry about?

YOUR THOUGHTS

TAKING IT HOME

Looking back on this week's sermon and study, what's most important for you to remember?

PRAYER REQUESTS

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