

**03 – Haggai 2:10-19 – Kingdom Purity****Does God just want a house?**

- Haggai 2:10, 18<sup>th</sup> Dec 520 BC, the 24<sup>th</sup> Day of the ninth month.

... About a month before ... the prophet Zechariah

**What God says**

Question 1 - Haggai 2:11-12 - *“If someone carries consecrated meat in the fold of their garment, that fold touches some bread or stew, some wine, olive oil or other food, does this other food become consecrated?”*

... Holiness is not transferable.

Question 2 – Haggai 2:13 - *“If a person, defiled by contact with a dead body, touches something that is consecrated, does it become defiled?”*

... not being right before God, is transferable.

... verse 14. “whatever they do and whatever they offer there is defiled”.

**Give careful thought**

... verse 15 ... if they had only stopped and thought about it.

verse 17 ... God sent these things on these people so that they would return to him.

**For us today**

Did God just want them to build a house?

- He wanted them to have a heart that wanted to worship, serve, honour and obey him.

1 Peter 1:3 ... God’s incredible grace lavished upon them

... what we as the people of God are to be like.

1 Peter 1:13-16 - *“Therefore, with minds that are alert and fully sober, set your hope on the grace to be brought to you when Jesus Christ is revealed at his coming. 14 As obedient children, do not conform to the evil desires you had when you lived in ignorance. 15 But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do; 16 for it is written: ‘Be holy, because I am holy.’*

God has made us clean or holy

... but we are also called to be holy like God

1 Peter 2:1-3, *“Therefore, rid yourselves of all malice and all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and slander of every kind. 2 Like newborn babies, crave pure spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow up in your salvation, 3 now that you have tasted that the Lord is good.”*

**1 Peter 2:1-10 ... what God is making us into as a church.**

**... NOT calling us do anything but to return to him and be cleansed by him**

**Danger = we do things to try and make us Christian but do not have heart that has returned to Jesus first.**

**A warning to us ...**