



GOD STILL SPEAKS:
WILL WE RESPOND
IN FAITH?
EZRA 5:1-2



PRAYER



Observations from Ezra 5:1-2
What is happening in these verses?

Ezra 5:1-2

- Haggai and Zechariah prophesied to the people of God in the name of God
- A spiritual awakening happened with the leaders (and the people of God)
- The prophets supported the leaders
- God's work continued despite opposition

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The prophets **Haggai** and **Zechariah** spoke

Zerubbabel and Jeshua arose to rebuild /

The prophets supported and encouraged them

Haggai

Haggai 1:1-11 –

Call to rebuild the temple

Haggai 2:4-9 –

Encouragement to

continue, *"I am with you" but by My Spirit"*

Zechariah

Zechariah 1:1-6 -

Call to repentance

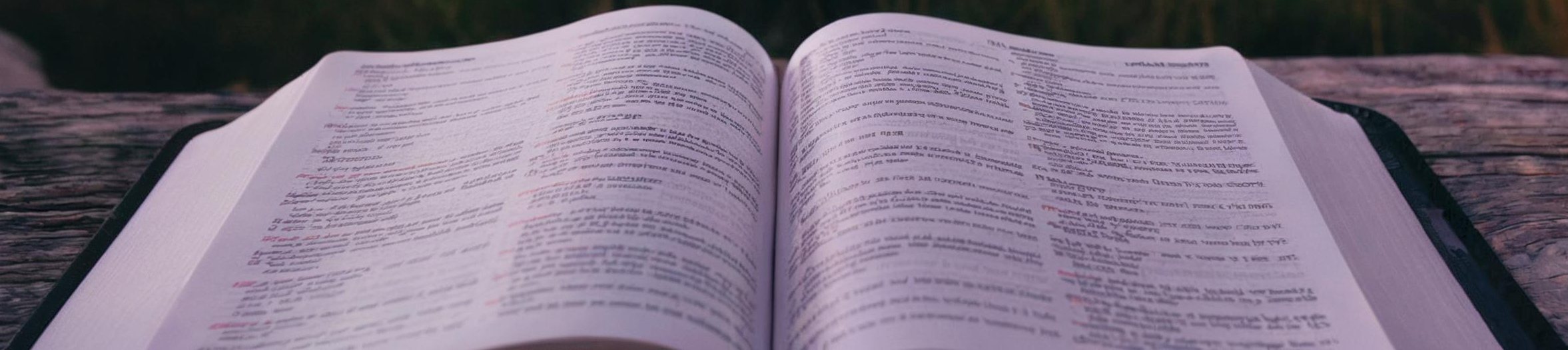
Zechariah 4:6-10–

"Not by might,

"but by My Spirit"

HAGGAI 1: 1-11

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ZECHARIAH 1:1-6

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HAGGAI 1:12-15

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ZECHARIAH 4:6-10

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Lessons from Ezra 5:1-2

What can we learn (interpret) from these verses?

The Power of Prophetic Encouragement

Haggai and Zechariah, by the Holy Spirit prophesized, encouraged and supported God's people in times of delay or opposition.

Scripture References: Isaiah 55:11, 2 Timothy 3:16

Immediate Obedience to God's Call

Zerubbabel and Jeshua responded immediately to God's call by obedience.

Scripture References: James 1:22, Luke 11:28

Encouragement Through Presence and Consistency

The prophets delivered a message and continued to encourage and support the people of God.

*Scripture References: 1 Thessalonians 5:11,
Hebrews 10:24-25*



Application from Ezra 5:1-2

How can I apply / live out these verses?

Listen to the Prophetic Voice of God

Be open to hearing God's voice through Scripture, the Holy Spirit, and other people. Always test it with God's Word.

*Reference Verses: 1 Thessalonians 5:20-21,
Hebrews 3:13*

Immediate Obedience to God's Call

When God calls you, respond through listening and acting accordingly.

Reference Verses: James 1:22, Joshua 1:16-17

Persevere Through Opposition

Continue doing God's work, even when facing external opposition or setbacks.

Reference Verses: Galatians 6:9, 1 Corinthians 15:58

Encourage One Another

Support and encourage your brothers and sisters in Christ. (i.e. prayer, presence, & community)

Reference Verses: Hebrews 10:24-25, 1

Thessalonians 5:11



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A dramatic landscape featuring a sunburst breaking through dark, heavy clouds. The sun's rays create a bright, glowing path through the sky, illuminating the scene below. The foreground is filled with a dense field of purple flowers, and the middle ground shows a lush green forest. The overall mood is one of hope and divine light.

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A dramatic sky scene with sunbeams breaking through dark clouds over a landscape with water and mountains. The sun is positioned behind a layer of clouds, creating a bright glow and casting long, golden rays of light through the darker clouds above. The lower part of the image shows a dark landscape with a body of water and silhouetted mountains.

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