

HĀĠ-GĀĪ

CHAPTER 1

IN the second year of Dă-rî-ūs the king, in the sixth month, in the first day of the month, came the word of the LORD by Hăġ-gāĪ the prophet unto Zě-rüb-bă-běl the son of Shē-āl-tī-ěl, governor of Jûd-ăh, and to Jōsh-ū-ă the son of Jōs-ě-děch, the high priest, saying,

2 Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saying, This people say, The time is not come, the time that the LORD's house should be built.

3 Then came the word of the LORD by Hăġ-gāĪ the prophet, saying,

4 *Is it time for you, O ye, to dwell in your cieled houses, and this house lie waste?*

5 Now therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways.

6 Ye have sown much, and bring in little; ye eat, but ye have not enough; ye drink, but ye are not filled with drink; ye clothe you, but there is none warm; and he that earneth wages earneth wages *to put it* into a bag with holes.

7 ¶ Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Consider your ways.

8 Go up to the mountain, and bring wood, and build the house; and I will take pleasure in it, and I will be glorified, saith the LORD.

9 Ye looked for much, and, lo, *it came* to little; and when ye brought *it* home, I did blow upon it. Why? saith the LORD of hosts. Because of mine house that *is* waste, and ye run every man unto his own house.

10 Therefore the heaven over you is stayed from dew, and the earth is stayed *from* her fruit.

11 And I called for a drought upon the land, and upon the mountains, and upon the corn, and upon the new wine, and upon the oil, and upon *that* which the ground bringeth forth, and upon men, and upon cattle, and upon all the labour of the hands.

12 ¶ Then Zě-rüb-bă-běl the son of Shē-āl-tī-ěl, and Jōsh-ū-ă the son of Jōs-ě-děch, the high priest, with all the remnant of the people, obeyed the voice of the LORD their God, and the words of Hăġ-gāĪ the prophet, as the LORD their God had sent him, and the people did fear before the LORD.

13 Then spake Hăġ-gāĪ the LORD's messenger in the LORD's message unto the people, saying, *I am* with you, saith the LORD.

14 And the LORD stirred up the spirit of Zě-rüb-bă-běl the son of Shē-āl-tī-ěl, governor of Jûd-ăh, and the spirit of Jōsh-ū-ă the son of Jōs-ě-děch, the high priest, and the spirit of all the remnant of the people; and they came and did work in the house of the LORD of hosts, their God,

15 In the four and twentieth day of the sixth month, in the second year of Dă-rî-ūs the king.

CHAPTER 2

IN the seventh month, in the one and twentieth day of the month, came the word of the LORD by the prophet

Hăġ-gāĪ, saying,

2 Speak now to Zě-rüb-bă-běl the son of Shē-āl-tī-ěl, governor of Jûd-ăh, and to Jōsh-ū-ă the son of Jōs-ě-děch, the high priest, and to the residue of the people, saying,

3 Who is left among you that saw this house in her first glory? and how do ye see it now? *is it* not in your eyes in comparison of it as nothing?

4 Yet now be strong, O Zě-rüb-bă-běl, saith the LORD; and be strong, O Jōsh-ū-ă, son of Jōs-ě-děch, the high priest; and be strong, all ye people of the land, saith the LORD, and work: for *I am* with you, saith the LORD of hosts:

5 According to the word that I covenanted with you when ye came out of Ē-ġypt, so my spirit remaineth among you: fear ye not.

6 For thus saith the LORD of hosts; Yet once, it *is* a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea, and the dry land;

7 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.

8 The silver *is* mine, and the gold *is* mine, saith the LORD of hosts.

9 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.

10 ¶ In the four and twentieth day of the ninth month, in the second year of Dă-rî-ūs, came the word of the LORD by Hăġ-gāĪ the prophet, saying,

11 Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Ask now the priests concerning the law, saying,

12 If one bear holy flesh in the skirt of his garment, and with his skirt do touch bread, or pottage, or wine, or oil, or any meat, shall it be holy? And the priests answered and said, No.

13 Then said Hăġ-gāĪ, If *one that is* unclean by a dead body touch any of these, shall it be unclean? And the priests answered and said, It shall be unclean.

14 Then answered Hăġ-gāĪ, and said, So *is* this people, and so *is* this nation before me, saith the LORD; and so *is* every work of their hands; and that which they offer there *is* unclean.

15 And now, I pray you, consider from this day and upward, from before a stone was laid upon a stone in the temple of the LORD:

16 Since those days were, when *one* came to an heap of twenty measures, there were *but* ten: when *one* came to the pressfat for to draw out fifty vessels out of the press, there were *but* twenty.

17 I smote you with blasting and with mildew and with hail in all the labours of your hands; yet ye *turned* not to me, saith the LORD.

18 Consider now from this day and upward, from the four and twentieth day of the ninth month, *even* from the day

that the foundation of the LORD's temple was laid, consider *it*.

19 Is the seed yet in the barn? yea, as yet the vine, and the fig tree, and the pomegranate, and the olive tree, hath not brought forth: from this day will I bless *you*.

20 ¶ And again the word of the LORD came unto Hăg-gāĭ in the four and twentieth *day* of the month, saying,

21 Speak to Zě-rüb-bă-běl, governor of Jûd-ăh, saying, I will shake the heavens and the earth;

22 And I will overthrow the throne of kingdoms, and I will destroy the strength of the kingdoms of the heathen; and I will overthrow the chariots, and those that ride in them; and the horses and their riders shall come down, every one by the sword of his brother.

23 In that day, saith the LORD of hosts, will I take thee, O Zě-rüb-bă-běl, my servant, the son of Shē-ăl-tī-ěl, saith the LORD, and will make thee as a signet: for I have chosen thee, saith the LORD of hosts.