

**THE PRIORITY |  
HAGGAI 1:1-11**

Think about your home for a moment. Do you have any unfinished projects? A better question would be: How many unfinished projects do you have? Think about your finances, cards you have not wrote, visits you have not made, and conversations you have put off. Spiritually do you have any unfinished business with God or regarding what He has directed you to do? Procrastination sneaks into our lives, and the more we procrastinate the harder it is to get the job done. Haggai's prophecy came when the people of Judah were vulnerable having just returned from the Babylonian Exile. They begin to rebuild the temple and were discouraged by opposition within and without. They quit rebuilding God's temple began to focus on themselves. They did not finish a project of utmost importance. Haggai's prophecy challenges us to reevaluate our own lives and to make sure Christ is our priority and that we call important what He calls important. As we look at our first passage, what do we learn about our failure to fulfill our responsibilities to God?

1. Our \_\_\_\_\_ business and \_\_\_\_\_ to obey God displeases Him. (1:1-2)
  
2. When we place our \_\_\_\_\_ before God's \_\_\_\_\_ it detrimentally effects our lives (1:3-5).
  
3. God uses \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ to lead us back to Him (1:6-11)