

Sunday, January 15, 2023



“Roll Up Your Sleeves, Time to Build”
Ezra 6:13-22

What is the best way of motivating you to get something?

This month we are looking at what happens after God’s people return from exile in Babylon. Zechariah encouraged the returning exiles to get to work by showing them what the future held. Haggai encouraged by challenging their priorities. Ezra the priest encourages them to make worship of God central to their lives. He leads the charge to rebuild the temple, which has been stripped bare.

God encourages me through _____.

Read *Ezra 4:1-3*.

Worship centers me in _____ and His _____.

What role does worship play in my life?

What changes would God have me make in order to better center my focus of worship with Him? Schedule? Consistency? Daily things?

God encourages me through his _____

Read *Ezra 6:13-15*

List some ways that God intervened in the history of Israel.

List some ways you have seen God’s intervention in your life.

God has intervened through His word, people, miracles, circumstances. Can you think of other means? What has been most impactful to you? Why?

How has God’s interventions kept you from discouragements?

God encourages me through His _____.

Read *Ezra 6:16*.

Why would the finishing of the temple, and celebrating the Passover again been an encouragement to the people at that time?

God finishes what He _____.

In what area of your life have you seen God’s word completed? How can that encourage you today?

This week:

God encouraging word to His people then, and now is that it is time to build. What is one way you can participate in the future God wants to build in your life? In the church? In the community?