

Haggai 2:1-5, Acts 17:24-28, Romans 10:17, 1 Corinthians 6:19-20

#### Discouragement

- There was a high level of discouragement among the people.
- Many people could remember the former temple and temple worship with all its beautiful form, rituals, and glory.
- The temple that they were building was only a shadow of its former self.
- God sent word that they must renew their minds.

### What You See Makes the Difference

- The most important influence on our lives is our perception.
- The older people were overcome with disappointment and discouragement.
- God does not use worldly standards to measure the accomplishments of His people.
- A renewed mind sees differently; a renewed heart believes differently.

## What You Believe Determines Your Actions

- We must trust in God's promises and in His power to provide every need.
- What we believe inspires us to take courage, to keep on working and move forward without fear.
- God is everywhere, but He does not always manifest His presence.
- What we believe determines our actions.

# We Will Experience The Manifest Glory of God

- If God is with us, peace is with us, power is with us, and nothing can stop us but ourselves.
- God fulfilled His promise by sending His Son, Jesus, the real temple of God.
- We must renew our minds and hearts, for we are a part of God's glorious Church.
- We are not perfect, but we are being perfected.

#### Conclusion

- Though the earthly temple was important, it pointed to something more important, Jesus Christ.
- We are called to continue to work, to take courage and be strong.
- God will send renewal to our minds and hearts as we embrace His promises.
- Our story ends in victory!