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Bible Study

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Negative Outcomes of not Prioritizing God's House with Your Money

Haggai 1:5-11

Malachi 3:10 reads, "I am the Lord All-Powerful, and I challenge you to put me to the test. Bring the entire ten percent into the storehouse, so there will be food in my house. Then I will open the windows of heaven and flood you with blessing." (CEV) This verse records what was required by the nation of Israel as it related to God's house and the rewards for being obedient. Believers today also have an obligation to ensure that the local church has adequate resources to positively impact the lives of people. One way of making this a reality is for parishioners to allow the Word of God to be their standard when it comes to giving of their finances. This lesson is designed to share negative outcomes of not prioritizing God's House with your money.

Breakdown of Haggai Chapter 1

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| 1. The <u>Desires</u> | of the People. | Verses 1-4 |
| 2. The <u>Decree</u> | for the People. | Verses 5-11 |
| 3. The <u>Decision</u> | by the People. | Verses 12-15 |

1. Barrenness is a negative outcome of not prioritizing God's house with your money.

Verse 6

"You have planted much but harvest little. You eat but are not satisfied. You drink but are still thirsty. You put on clothes but cannot keep warm. Your wages disappear as though you were putting them in pockets filled with holes!" (NLT)

2. Discontentedness is a negative outcome of not prioritizing God's house with your money.

Verse 6

*"You have planted much but harvest little. **You eat but are not satisfied.** You drink but are still thirsty. You put on clothes but cannot keep warm. Your wages disappear as though you were putting them in pockets filled with holes!" (NLT)*

3. Dryness is a negative outcome of not prioritizing God's house with your money.

Verse 6

*"You have planted much but harvest little. You eat but are not satisfied. **You drink but are still thirsty.** You put on clothes but cannot keep warm. Your wages disappear as though you were putting them in pockets filled with holes!" (NLT)*

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