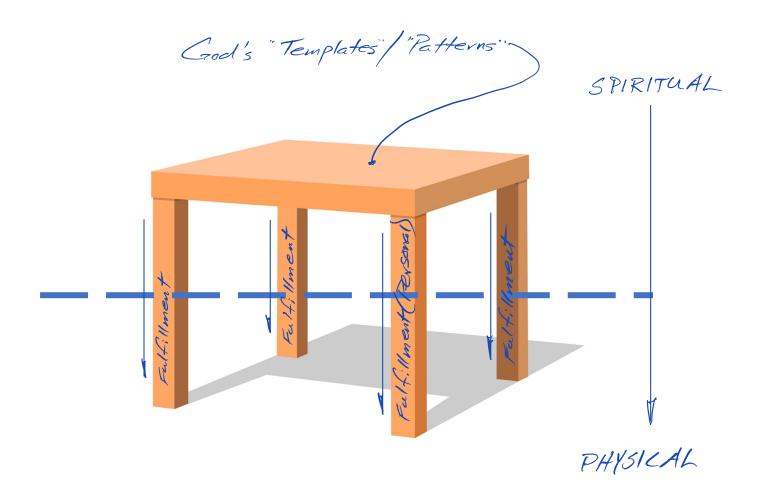
# Keeping Your Cool While Walking Through Fire



Haggai is different from other prophets in that he does not write concerning any idolatry, social and political ills, or other glaring sins. The only rebukes to his people are that they needed to finish God's house and get their priorities right in the process.

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## **Haggai 1:2-5**

Thus says Adonai of hosts, 'This people says, "The time has not come, even the time for the house of Adonai to be rebuilt."

Then the word of Adonai came by Haggai the prophet saying, "Is it time for you yourselves to dwell in your paneled houses while this house lies desolate?"

Now therefore, thus says Adonai of hosts, "Consider your ways!"

# Haggai 2:6-9 (520 B.C.)

For thus says Adonai of hosts, "Once more in a little while, I am going to shake the heavens and the earth, the sea also and the dry land. And I will shake all the nations and they will come with the wealth of all nations and I will fill this house with glory," says Adonai of hosts. The silver is Mine, and the gold is Mine," declares Adonai of hosts. "The latter glory of this house will be greater than the former," says Adonai of hosts, "and in this place I shall give peace," declares Adonai of hosts.

### Hebrews 12:25-29 (50 A.D.?)

See to it that you do not refuse Him who is speaking. For if those did not escape when they refused him who warned them on earth, much less shall we escape who turn away from Him who warns from heaven. And His voice shook the earth then, but now He has promised, saying, "YET ONCE MORE I WILL SHAKE NOT ONLY THE EARTH, BUT ALSO THE **HEAVEN.**" And this expression, "Yet once more," denotes the removing of those things which can be shaken, as of created things, in order that those things which cannot be shaken may remain. Therefore, since we receive a kingdom which cannot be shaken, let us show

gratitude, by which we may offer to God an acceptable service with reverence and awe, for our God is a consuming fire.

2 "Deut, 4:24"

#### Isaiah 26

- **1)** *Promises* 1-4
- 2) Destruction 5-19
- **3)** *Instruction* 20-21

26:1-4 In that day this song will be sung in the land of Judah: "We have a strong city. He sets up walls and ramparts for security. Open the gates, that the righteous nation may enter, the one that remains faithful. The steadfast of mind You will keep in perfect peace because he trusts in You. Trust in Adonai forever, for in Yah Adonai, we have an everlasting Rock...

26:20-21 Come, My people, enter your rooms and close your doors behind you. Hide for a little while until indignation runs its course. For behold, Adonai is about to come out from His place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity, and the earth will reveal her bloodshed and will no longer cover her slain.

#### 2 Corinthians 4:16-18

Therefore, we do not lose heart, but though our outer man is decaying, yet our inner man is being renewed day by day. For momentary, light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of

glory far beyond all comparison, while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen. For the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal.

#### **NOTES:**

**Daniel 9:27** "And he will make a firm covenant with the many for one week, but in the middle of the week he will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering; and on the wing of **abominations will come one who makes desolate**, even until a complete destruction, one that is decreed, is poured out on the one who makes desolate."

**Daniel 11:31** "And forces from him will arise, desecrate the sanctuary fortress, and do away with the regular sacrifice. And they will set up **the abomination of desolation**.

**Matthew 24:15-16** "Therefore when you see the **ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION** which was spoken of through Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand), then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.

**Luke 21:20** "But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then recognize that her **desolation** is at hand."

**Revelation 13:6,14-15** And he opened his mouth in blasphemies against God, to blaspheme His name and His tabernacle, that is, those who dwell in heaven...And he deceives those who dwell on the earth because of the signs which it was given him to perform in the presence of the beast, telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who had the wound of the sword and has come to life. And there was given to him to give breath to the image of the beast, that the image of the beast might even speak and cause as many as do not worship the image of the beast to be killed.

**Revelation 11:1-3** And there was given me a measuring rod like a staff; and someone said, "Rise and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and those who worship in it. And leave out the court which is outside the temple, and do not measure it, for it has been given to the nations; and they will tread underfoot the holy city for forty-two months. And I will grant authority to my two witnesses, and they will prophesy for twelve hundred and sixty days, clothed in sackcloth."

**Deuteronomy 4:24** For Adonai your God is a consuming fire, a jealous God.

**Exodus 24:17-18** And to the eyes of the sons of Israel the appearance of the glory of Adonai was like a **consuming fire** on the mountain top. And Moses entered the midst of the cloud as he went up to the mountain. And Moses was on the mountain forty days and forty nights.

**Exodus 12:22-23** And you shall take a bunch of hyssop and dip it in the blood which is in the basin, and apply some of the blood that is in the basin to the lintel and the two doorposts; and **none of you shall go outside the door of his house until morning**. For Adonai will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when He sees the blood on the lintel and on the two doorposts, Adonai will pass over the door and will not allow the destroyer to come in to your houses to smite *you*.

**Psalm 30:4-5** Sing praise to Adonai, you His godly ones, and give thanks to His holy name. For His anger is but for a moment, His favor is for a lifetime. Weeping may last for the night, but a shout of joy *comes* in the morning.