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BackTrack

Replaying God's Ancient Prophetic Voices – Procrastination Haggai

Summary: One of the themes in the prophets is their call of exhortation to God's people. The call can be to get back to Torah observance, or justice or it in case of Haggai to stop procrastinating. We get to learn from how God shepherds His people during periods of "we will do it later" and gain wisdom for our own tendencies.

Scripture – Haggai 1:1-8; Ecclesiastes 12:1; Ephesians 5:14-16; Genesis 3:17-19; Psalm 106:15; Hebrews 4:12; Luke 17:7-10; Matthew 7:22-28; 1 Corinthians 9:25-27; Zephaniah 3:14-20

Community Group Discussion

Problem: Later (vs. 2)

- Describe a time when you started something good but never finished it.
- "Procrastination is the worst nation to live in."
- Why does the Bible call procrastination "evil days."

Result: Spinning Your Tires (vs.5-6)

- Is there an area of your life where you are spinning your tires?
- "When God is pulled out of your life it leaves a giant hole."
- Have you ever experienced "leanness" in your soul?

Cure: Word (vs.3)

- Can you describe a time the Word poked you?
- Talk about ways culture is trying to redefine truth.
- Why does culture seem to push back on absolute truth?
- In what ways can God's Word help keep you safe?

Cure: Weigh (vs.5)

- "Servants are not in control but simply obey their masters." What are the benefits/challenges of being God's servant?
- "We've got to let God's Word club us."

Cure: Work (vs.8)

- Why should pleasing God be important to the believer?
- What attitudes and actions of yours bring God pleasure?

