Haggai 2:10-19

Haggai 2:10 – "On the twenty-fourth day of the ninth month, in the second year of Darius, the word of the LORD came by Haggai the prophet,

413 [e] 'el-	3069 [e] Yah·weh,	1697 [e] də·bar-	1961 [e] hā·yāh	1867 [e] lə·dā·rə·yā·weš;		8141 [e] biš·na<u>t</u>	8671 [e] lat·tə·šî·'î,	702 [e] wə·'ar·bā·'āh	6242 [e] bə·'eś·rîm	
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by	Yahweh	the word of	came	of Darius	second	in the year	of the ninth [month]	and the four [day]	On twenty	
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	559 [e] lê·mōr .		5030 [e] han·nā·ḇî	2292 [e] ḥag·gay
•	לֵאמְר:	•	הַנָּבָיא	חַגִּי
	saying		the prophet	Haggai
	Prep-I V-Qal-Inf		Art N-ms	N-proper-ms

Verse	Darius' Year	Month	Day	Modern Date
1:1	2nd	sixth	1	August 29, 520 BC
 Haggai's received message (1st) 				
1:15a	2nd	sixth	24	September 21, 520 BC
 began work on temple 				
1:15b-2:1	2nd	seventh	21	October 17, 520 BC
 Haggai's message to Zerubbabel 				
(2 nd)				
2:10	2nd	Ninth	24	December 18, 520
- Haggai's message to		(Kislev)		ВС
the priests (3 rd)				
2:20	2nd	ninth	24	December 18, 520 BC
 Haggai's message to 				
Zerubbabel, shake the earth (4th)				

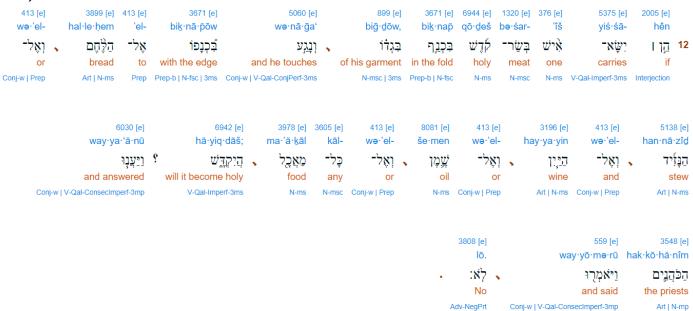
- 1. This 3rd message is two months after Haggai's 2nd message
- 2. By the month of Kislev (or, December) the winter crops had been planted
 - a. The former rains had fallen in October and November
 - b. The crops had been planted in December
 - c. The latter rains would come in February, March and April
 - d. Then the harvest would come in September
- 3. This message is clarifying to the people that:
 - a. Disobedience is like uncleanliness. It results in lack of blessing because the work has been defiled.
 - b. Obedience is like cleanliness. It results in blessing because the work is acceptable to the Lord.
- 4. This message is a teaching for the people to help illustrate how the world works:
 - a. **Obedience** in this case would be the people building the temple.
 - b. The **work** is their agricultural labors, business and economy.
 - c. Unclean is unacceptable to the Lord and is not blessed.
 - d. Something that is clean is acceptable to the Lord and receives the Lord's blessing.

2:11 – "Thus says the LORD of hosts: Ask the priests about the law:

	559 [e]	8451 [e]	3548 [e]	853 [e]	4994 [e]	7592 [e]	6635 [e]	3068 [e]	559 [e]	3541 [e]	
	lê∙mōr.	tō·w·rāh	hak·kō·hă·nîm	'e <u>t</u> -	nā	šə·'al-	ṣə∙ḇā·'ō·w <u>t</u> ;	Yah⋅weh	'ā·mar	kōh	
•	: לֵאמְר:	תוֹרָה.	הַלֹהֲנֶים	־אֶת	נָא	-שְׁאַל	עְבָאֵוֹת –	יְהנָה	אָמַר	כָּה	11
	saying	[concerning the] law	the priests	-	now	ask	of hosts	Yahweh	says	thus	
	Prep-I V-Qal-Inf	N-fs	Art N-mp	DirObjM	Interjection	V-Qal-Imp-ms	N-cp	N-proper-ms	V-Qal-Perf-3ms	Adv	

- 1. Haggai was instructed to ask the priest to make a judgment or to *tora* (*towrah*) "direction, instruction, law" concerning two situations.
 - a. Holy meat making an object holy
 - b. Unclean making something unclean
- 2. The purpose was to use this as an illustration of the social and spiritual situation the people are in.

2:12 – "If someone carries holy meat in the fold of his garment and touches with his fold bread or stew or wine or oil or any kind of food, does it become holy?" The priests answered and said, "No."



- 1. If a piece a holy sacrifical meat was being carried in a fold of cloth touches something does that thing become holy....Priest's ruling (*tora*) answers: No
- 2:13 "Then Haggai said, "If someone who is unclean by contact with a dead body touches any of these, does it become unclean?" The priests answered and said, "It does become unclean."



1. Unclean person touches something unclean does it make it unclean? *Tora* = Yes

2:14 – "Then Haggai answered and said, "So is it with this people, and with this nation before me, declares the LORD, and so with every work of their hands. And what they offer there is unclean.

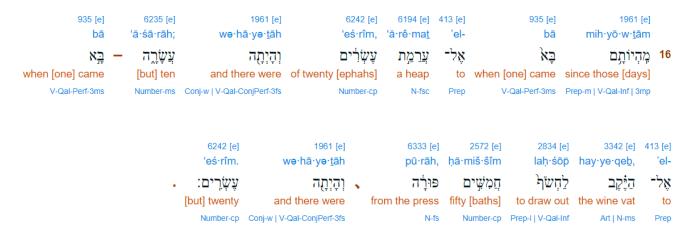


- 1. The Lord's point through Haggai: The work of this people is unclean because they have not obeyed.
- 2. The disobedient people are unclean so their work is unclean.

2:15 – "Now then, consider from this day onward. Before stone was placed upon stone in the temple of the LORD,

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2:16 – "how did you fare? When one came to a heap of twenty measures, there were but ten. When one came to the wine vat to draw fifty measures, there were but twenty.



2:17 – "I struck you and all the products of your toil with blight and with mildew and with hail, yet you did not turn to me, declares the LORD.



2:18 – "Consider carefully from this day forward—from the twenty-fourth day of the ninth month, the day the foundation of the LORD's temple was laid—consider carefully:

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2:19- "Is the seed yet in the barn? Indeed, the vine, the fig tree, the pomegranate, and the olive tree have yielded nothing. But from this day on I will bless you."



- 1. "barn" is bammegurah is from the word megurah which means "a storehouse, granary"
 - a. Some scholars have suggested this word, which is only here in the OT, means "a furrow in which the seed lies embedded or planted" (as in HALOT,544)
 - b. This second meaning would be saying the seed is still in the ground, and is yet to germinate and sprout. Which is what the next verse is about.