

## **CHURCH ON THE RISE**

*Lesson Four • Haggai 2:20-23*

### **Hope For Rising Up**

#### **Have You Ever...**

Been so discouraged you had no desire to rise up and live for God?

#### **Hope for Rising Up**

### **1. Be Encouraged: Our Lord Will PREVAIL!**

- The Lord's JUDGMENT will come.

*"I will shake heaven and earth." Haggai 2:21*

- The Lord's ENEMIES will be crushed.

*"I will overthrow the throne of kingdoms;  
I will destroy the strength of the Gentiles kingdoms.  
I will overthrow the chariots and those who ride in them;  
The horses and their riders shall come down,  
Every one by the sword of his brother."  
Haggai 2:22*

### **2. Be Encouraged: Our Lord Will REIGN!**

- God's eternal plan is carried out with sovereign GRACE.

*"I will take you, Zerubbabel My servant, the son of Shealtiel," says the Lord, "and will make you as a signet ring; for I have chosen you," says the Lord of hosts. Haggai 2:23*

- God's eternal plan centers on the person of JESUS CHRIST.

*"I will take you, Zerubbabel My servant, the son of Shealtiel," says the Lord,  
Haggai 2:23*

- God's eternal plan will be fulfilled in His divine TIMING.

*"In that day," says the Lord of hosts, Haggai 2:23*

#### **One Abiding Lesson from Haggai's Fourth Message:**

Rise up in HOPE and keep living for God and His glory!

*"Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles!  
Laud Him, all you peoples!"*

*And again, Isaiah says:*

*"There shall be a root of Jesse;*

*And He who shall rise to reign over the Gentiles,*

*In Him the Gentiles shall hope."*

*Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing,  
that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.*

*Romans 15:11-13*

*Therefore, my beloved brethren, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord,  
knowing that your labor is not in vain in the Lord. 1Corinthians 15:58*