

Getting Started

(Haggai 1:1-15)

Can you think of something you wanted to start but have difficulty doing? (1-4)

The LORD who rules over all says this: "These people have said, 'The time for rebuilding the LORD's temple has not yet come.'" (1:2)

2 Reasons why it's hard to get started (5-11)

1. Preoccupation with our own stuff
2. Fear of falling short

God's response to the first steps of obedience (12-15)

They responded favorably to the message of the prophet Haggai... (1:12)

1. God Joins ("I am with you!" says the LORD. 1:13)
2. God Energizes (So the LORD energized and encouraged ...the people. 1:14)