

# Why Build a Temple: Haggai 2

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## I. Introduction.

A. Truth is consistent. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today and forever.

B. There is new truth revealed in Exodus 25.

II. God's first thought among his redeemed people is to dwell among his people.

III. The purpose of the God who was there was to control and comfort. (Exodus 39)

IV. When you do what God says as God tells you, God brings his presence. (1 Chronicles 28, 2 Chronicles 2:3)

V. God will bring his name (all that he is), his eyes to protect and his heart to love. Everybody has a longing for God that only he can satisfy.

VI. We are temples of God in whom he dwells. Jesus comes to us to control and comfort us. To be a temple is the reason we exist. (1 Corinthians 6:19, 2 Corinthians 4:10-11)

## Application questions:

1. What was the purpose of the temple in the Old Testament?

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2. How is the temple truth relevant to Christians today?

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3. How would you counsel a Christian desiring to enjoy God's presence more? Explain.

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