

PREACHING CURRICULUM



SERMON TITLE: Consider Your Ways

SCRIPTURE: Haggai 1:1-11

'...God is not interested in your leftovers... He kindly asks for your all...'

1 REVIEW THE SERMON

If we are thinking Christianly, should we really want the world to return to 'normal'?

What are some of the ways in which western Christianity has drifted into self-service and a desire for comfort?

How should suffering and difficulty affect our relationship with God?

How has God been pushing His people to get past taking His presence and blessings for granted?

What is the goal of a Christ centred life **vs. 8**?

2 ASSESS YOUR LIFE

What is God's question to the Jews (and us) about priority by pointing out the loveliness and grandeur of their own homes?

How is a lack of urgency one of the surest signs of spiritual decline?

Do you have your own life properly prioritized? What can you do to do even better?

How are you investing your time, talents and treasures in the things of God, things of enduring value?

3 APPLY THE TRUTH

What is consecrated? What does it mean to "consider our ways" **vs. 5,7**?

How did God's people not respond to the blessing of returning from exile in Babylon the way they should have **vs. 3-4**?

Why could they not get ahead **vs. 6**?

How do you overlay God's purposes, a spiritual mindset, over your own plans and endeavours in this life?

4 COMMIT THIS WEEK

How will you strive to make your 'normal' life one that is consecrated to the service of the Lord Jesus Christ?