

Bible Study Haggai Chapter 2

How do I humble myself? Humility, according to the Bible, is not something we can just up and do. Both the negative and positive examples of Scripture—from Pharaoh to Rehoboam, from Josiah to Ahab, from Hezekiah to Manasseh, and even to Christ himself—teach us that humility first comes from the hand of God. He initiates the humbling of his creatures. And once he has, the question confronts us: Will you receive it? Will you humble yourself in response to his humbling hand, or will you kick against him? This concise, accessible study of Scripture's humble-self language uncovers two surprising lessons about the pursuit of humility in the Christian—both what we cannot do and also what steps we can take.

The ESV Study Bible, Indexed, created by a diverse team of 95 leading Bible scholars and teachers, features a variety of study tools with thumb indexes making it a great resource for readers, students, and teachers.

The NIV Application Commentary Series The setting: Jerusalem. Recently returned from Babylonian captivity, the Jews are occupied with personal pursuits while the temple of Yahweh lies in ruins. To the prophets Haggai and Zechariah falls the task of calling God's people to their forgotten priority: rebuilding his house. Heeding prophetic admonition, the people overcome the obstacles that face them and prosper in their work—thanks largely to the vision and encouragement of the prophets. The books of Haggai and Zechariah represent a golden period in Old Testament history, but they are often overlooked. Yet these two minor prophets speak a major message to the church today. It is one that calls us, as a community of faith, to the priority of God's house, and inspires us with glimpses of its future glory. Exploring the links between the Bible and our own times, Mark J. Boda shares perspectives on Haggai and Zechariah that reveal their enduring relevance for our twenty-first-century lives. Most Bible commentaries take us on a one-way trip from our world to the world of the Bible. But they leave us there, assuming that we can somehow make the return journey on our own. They focus on the original meaning of the passage but don't discuss its contemporary application. The information they offer is valuable—but the job is only half done! The NIV Application Commentary Series helps bring both halves of the interpretive task together. This unique, award-winning series shows readers how to bring an ancient message into our present-day context. It explains not only what the Bible meant but also how it speaks powerfully today. "This series promises to become an indispensable tool for every pastor and teacher who seeks to make the Bible's timeless message speak to this generation. BILLY GRAHAM Some commentaries build walls that isolate you back in the ancient world. The NIV Application Commentary builds bridges that make the Bible come alive with meaning for contemporary life—and the series does so concisely, clearly, and accurately. No wasted words or academic detours—just solid help and practical truth!" WARREN W. WIERSBE

Matthew Henry had the rare ability to express profound spiritual insights with simplicity and eloquence. Over the years his writings have been read for both their scholarship and devotion, and none more than the classic Commentary on the Whole Bible. Now you can read the very best of Matthew Henry in this new edition of his famous commentary. A valuable source of reference and sermon material with a clear modern typeface, this classic is a treasure for pastors, students, Bible teachers, and devotional readers alike!

David Pawson presents a unique overview of both the Old and New Testaments.

"A critical scholarly edition of the Karaite Yefet ben 'Eli ha-Levi's (10th-century) Judaeo-Arabic translation of and commentary on the prophetic books Amos, Haggai, and Malachi, including a comparison of 19 manuscripts and an extensive introduction. The introduction discusses Yefet's exegesis of the three books, his approaches to the biblical narratives, his polemic with the Rabbanites, and the exegetical principles he uses in his translation of the verses. Yefet ben 'Eli was one of the most important biblical commentators of the early Middle Ages. He translated all the books of the Bible into Judaeo-Arabic and composed a long commentary on them. His commentaries on the books of Amos, Haggai, and Malachi reflect his method of biblical exegesis and present unique interpretive ideas"--

The best selling study Bible in the King James Version—now updated, with added features. Trusted for 25 years, The King James Study Bible has dependable notes and annotations from scholars you can rely on, led by General Editor Edward Hindson. A clear presentation of conservative Bible doctrine, with the resources you need for knowing God's Word. Features include: NEW: Fresh new page design for enjoyable reading of the Authorized King James text More than 5,700 authoritative and time-tested study notes offer straightforward communication and clear understanding NEW: 48 revised in-text maps and charts - modernized and redrawn for stress-free reference Large, 11-point Bible type for comfort reading no matter how long you spend NEW: Enhanced concordance with added Hebrew and Greek word studies gives deeper insight NEW: Index of Christ and the Gospels NEW: Index of Paul and His Letters NEW: Index of Bible Prophecy Words of Christ in red Doctrinal and archaeological footnotes and personality profiles written by trusted, conservative pastors and Bible teachers Comprehensive book introductions and outlines Center-column references with translation notes Complete index to annotations, doctrinal footnotes, personality profiles, and archaeological sites Part of the Signature Series line of Thomas Nelson Bibles King James Study Bibles sold to date: More than 2.4 million The King James Version—The most successful Bible translation in history with billions of copies published

This commentary by Pieter A. Verhoef offers a thorough exegesis and exposition of Haggai and Malachi — two important books of Scripture that, unfortunately, are little studied — and stresses the relevance of these prophets' messages in terms of continuity and discontinuity for the Christian church. Verhoef's introduction to each book elucidates questions of authorship, style, text, structure, historical background, and message. Making extensive use of structural analysis, Verhoef argues convincingly for the authenticity, unity, and integrity of both books. Verhoef also brings his knowledge of the ancient Near East, the Old Testament, and biblical scholarship to bear in the commentary proper, and he displays theological acumen and pastoral sensitivity in tailoring his exposition for the student and pastor as well as for the scholar. This commentary by Robert Fyall parallels of the challenges Israel faced to those of today's church and demonstrates the relevance of the books of Ezra and Haggai for God's people in all times. With passage-by-passage exposition of the biblical text, this resource will be helpful for pastors, teachers and anyone who wants to dive deeper into these seldom-discussed Old Testament books.

Unleash the Power of God's Truth in Your Daily Life From Genesis to Revelation, the Bible is full of life-changing truth. But to fully experience the power of God's Word, you need to go beyond merely knowing the facts and learn how to let

them transform you. In this new resource, noted author and biblical scholar Ron Rhodes takes you through each book of the Bible, breaking down complex concepts into practical applications and offering helpful insights for each. For example, key applications found in 1 John include: Our fellowship with God hinges on walking in the light as He is in the light. When we fall into sin and fall out of fellowship with God, confession to God is the remedy that restores our fellowship. When we sin, Jesus is our defense attorney—and He never loses a case in God's court. Our fellowship with God is thereby protected. Word studies, quotes from famous Christians, cross-references, and more are included in every profound chapter to help you dig deeper into each transformational concept. As you put God's key principles into practice, you'll experience more than ever all the benefits the Bible has to offer.

The Complete Jewish Study Bible pairs the updated text of the Complete Jewish Bible translation with extra study material, to help readers understand and connect with the Jewish roots of the Christian faith. Now introducing thumb-indexed versions The Complete Jewish Study Bible pairs the newly updated text of the best-selling Complete Jewish Bible with detailed notes and comprehensive study material to help both Jewish and Christian readers understand and connect with the essence of their faith--God's redemptive plan for his people. Readers will be enriched through this Jewish reading of Scripture and the revelation of the long-awaited Messiah, Yeshua, throughout both the Tanakh (Old Testament) and the B'rit Hadashah (New Testament). Unique to The Complete Jewish Study Bible are a number of helpful articles and notes to aid the reader in understanding the Jewish context for the Scriptures. The addition of a thumb-index in these versions will enable readers to easily find books in the Tanakh, which are in the order of the Hebrew Bible. Features include: - Twenty-five contributors (both Jewish and Christian), including John Fischer, Patrice Fischer, Arnold G. Fruchtenbaum, Walter C. Kaiser, Jr., Rabbi Russell Resnik, and more - Thirty-four topical articles ranging from topics such as the menorah (or "candelabra of God") and repentance (t'shuvah) in the Bible, to Yeshua's "Sermon on the Mount" and the Noachide Laws (the laws given by God to Noah and subsequent generations) and their applicability to Gentiles - In addition to these topical articles and detailed study notes, there are twelve tracks or themes running throughout the Bible with 117 articles, covering topics such as Jewish Customs, the Names of God, Shabbat, and the Torah - New Bible book introductions, written from a Jewish perspective - Bottom-of-page notes to help readers understand the deeper meanings behind the Jewish text - Sabbath and Holy Day Scripture readings - Offers the original Hebrew names for people, places, and concepts

Study the Book of Haggai to learn lessons from the ancient Israelites, who returned home from captivity to find their land and homes in shambles. They attempted to reconstruct the temple, however, they became discouraged and quit. Haggai challenged them to consider their priorities and get back to work. Like the Israelites, sometimes we find ourselves in transition, with wrecked lives and little hope. This study will challenge us to take courage, rebuild what is broken, and rise to be the women God calls us to be. (7 sessions) Features: Leader helps to guide questions and discussions within small groups Personal study segments to complete between 7 weeks of group sessions Interactive teaching videos, approximately 25 minutes per session, for purchase or rent Benefits: Defeat discouragement with God's presence, people, and Word. Choose devotion to God over promotion of self. See beyond your current circumstances to a future in Christ.

There is an increasing number of divisive issues in our world today, all of which require great discernment. Thankfully, God has given each of us a conscience to align our wills with his and help us make wise decisions. Examining all thirty New Testament passages that touch on the conscience, Andrew Naselli and J. D. Crowley help readers get to know their consciences—a largely neglected topic—and engage with other Christians who hold different convictions. Offering guiding principles and answering critical questions about how the conscience works and how to care for it, this book shows how the conscience impacts our approach to church unity, ministry, and more.

The bestselling original Inspire Bible is now available in a new large print binding! Enjoy all of the cherished features from the original Inspire Bible—including over 400 beautiful line-art illustrations to color--plus enlarged text for a comfortable reading experience, wider margins, and larger illustrations to color! This beautiful resource is for people who want to connect to Scripture through art but have a hard time reading the smaller text in other wide-margin Bibles or who simply prefer a larger canvas for creative Bible journaling. The larger trim of the Inspire Bible Large Print augments the beauty of the features and allows even more space for notes and illustrations in the extra-wide, lightly ruled wide margins, offers bigger illustrations to color, and has the largest font in a large print journaling Bible. It's a great Bible for responding to Scripture with creative, worship-filled expression! The flexible LeatherLike cover material on this edition is Smyth-sewn and lays flat on a desk or table. Other special features include elegant pops of gold foil across the shimmery cover material, gold gilded page edges, and a matching ribbon marker.

In this commentary on Haggai and Malachi, Mignon Jacobs offers clear and insightful interpretation of the text while highlighting themes that are especially relevant to contemporary concerns, such as honoring or dishonoring God, the responsibilities of leaders, questioning God, and hearing the prophetic word in challenging times. Engaging with the latest scholarship, Jacobs provides a thorough introduction to both prophets in which she addresses questions of authorship, date, purpose, structure, and theology, followed by a new translation of the biblical text and a verse-by-verse commentary. With intertextual discussions about key aspects of the text and attention to competing perspectives, this commentary offers a rich new interpretation of Haggai and Malachi.

Replaces Hard Sayings of the Old Testament, which received a 1990 Christianity Today Critics' Choice Award! Are you grappling with a difficult verse in the Bible? And are you looking for a short, easy-to-read answer that really makes sense without explaining away the verse? Hard Sayings of the Bible is the handy reference book you need. Here you will find explanations of over 500 of the most troubling verses to test the minds and hearts of Bible readers. Four seasoned scholars, all with a notable gift for communicating with people in the pew, take you behind the scenes to find succinct solutions to a wide variety of Bible difficulties, ranging from discrepancies about numbers to questions about God's justice. Historical, cultural and linguistic backgrounds shed

light on these passages and not only help explain what they meant in biblical times but also show how they are relevant today. Now carefully cross-referenced with over 100 new verses explained, as well as a dozen new introductory articles on chronology, miracles, archaeology, prophecy and more, *Hard Sayings of the Bible* offers the combined resources of five previous volumes that have over 250,000 copies in print. If you find yourself tied up in scriptural knots, here's the book that will help you cut through them.

John Robert Barker uses rhetorical criticism of Haggai to tease out the probable attitudes and anxieties among the Yehudite community that saw rebuilding as both undesirable and unfeasible. While some in the community accepted the prophet's claim that YHWH wanted the temple built, others feared that adverse agricultural and economic conditions, as well as the lack of a royal builder, were clear signs that YHWH did not approve or authorize the effort. Haggai's counterarguments are combined with his vilification of opponents as unclean and non-Israelite.

This book contains Charles H. Spurgeon's famous sermon, "The Power of the Holy Ghost," in its original, unedited form. A brief introduction and commentary pertaining to the sermon is provided by the editor.

Born the son of a clergyman on October 18, 1662, Matthew Henry was ordained into the British Presbyterian Church where he held the pastorate in Chester from 1687 to 1712. He was widowed, married again and had 10 children, three whom died in infancy. Henry died in 1714. Henry began work on his commentary as "Notes On The New Testament" in 1704 and the monumental work was completed shortly before his death in 1714. Remembered as a caring pastor, a passionate lover of the Word of God, and a man of great personal integrity, Matthew Henry has left his mark on the hearts of countless Christians who seek a deeper understanding of the riches that Scripture contains. This edition of Matthew Henry's Commentary on the Whole Bible uses the King James text and is abridged from the original six volumes while faithfully retaining all of the vibrant themes of that classic work. Everything here is in Matthew Henry's own words and nothing relevant to today's reader has been omitted.

God's Foundations for Life Genesis plays a foundational role in providing a clear understanding of society, marriage, personal relationships, evil, and spiritual life. Bright hope and insights into daily living come from Genesis. For a strong godly life, build on God's foundations! The Bible Teaching Commentary series is designed for teachers! - Extensive summaries for good learning - Committed to inerrancy of God's Word - Designed with the teacher in mind - Includes many diagrams and graphics - Thoughtful applications to daily life

"A masterpiece of contemporary Bible translation and commentary."—Los Angeles Times Book Review, Best Books of 1999
Acclaimed for its masterful new translation and insightful commentary, *The David Story* is a fresh, vivid rendition of one of the great works in Western literature. Robert Alter's brilliant translation gives us David, the beautiful, musical hero who slays Goliath and, through his struggles with Saul, advances to the kingship of Israel. But this David is also fully human: an ambitious, calculating man who navigates his life's course with a flawed moral vision. The consequences for him, his family, and his nation are tragic and bloody. Historical personage and full-blooded imagining, David is the creation of a literary artist comparable to the Shakespeare of the history plays.

Haggai and Malachi, two postexilic minor prophets, addressed many practical issues that concern God's people even today: attitudes, priorities, the use of money, divorce, Christ's second coming and others. In Haggai, the people listen to God's message and are encouraged; but in Malachi, they argue with the Lord. Yet both books offer important lessons for the church and Christian families. Dr. Wolf supplies helpful, concise, and valuable information for the Bible student at any level, discussing significant questions and issues and providing section-by-section commentary on the texts of the two prophecies.

The Knowing the Bible series is a resource designed to help Bible readers better understand and apply God's Word. These 12-week studies lead participants through books of the Bible and are made up of four basic components: (1) reflection questions help readers engage the text at a deeper level; (2) "Gospel Glimpses" highlight the gospel of grace throughout the book; (3) "Whole-Bible Connections" show how any given passage connects to the Bible's overarching story of redemption, culminating in Christ; and (4) "Theological Soundings" identify how historic orthodox doctrines are taught or reinforced throughout Scripture. With contributions from an array of influential pastors and church leaders, these gospel-centered studies will help Christians see and cherish the message of God's grace on every page of the Bible. The books of Haggai, Zechariah, and Malachi contain messages to God's people who, after experiencing deliverance from exile, still struggled with doubt, discouragement, and despair in the Promised Land. The prophets called them to faith as they awaited an even greater deliverance yet to come. Through this 12-week study, readers will see the faithfulness of God as he restores his presence among his people through the temple—a foretaste of the promised Messiah, who is the true temple and ultimate fulfillment of God's promises. Part of the Knowing the Bible series.

This work presents a detailed analysis of Haggai in its socio-political context. Special attention is paid to the text's distinctive perspectives regarding Persian rule, inclusion in the community, the ongoing relevance of prophecy, and the use of religious traditions.

Codex Sinaiticus, written in Greek in the fourth century, is the oldest surviving complete New Testament and one of the two oldest manuscripts of the whole Bible. Since 2002, a major international project has been creating an electronic version of the manuscript and this facsimile is based on that project. The facsimile reunites the text, now divided between the British Library, the National Library of Russia, Saint Catherine's Monastery (Mount Sinai) and Leipzig University Library.

"Dr. A. W. Tozer, without question, had an 'anointing' for this generation. As an articulate preacher and perspicuous writer, he assumed the role of a reverent forecaster. His so accurate description of unseemly religious and moral conditions and where they were leading the church are black facts that make one wonder about the 'religion' of the evangelical church of our day." — Dr. L. L. King, from the foreword *The Price of Neglect*, a collection of editorials written while Dr. Tozer was the editor of *Alliance Life*, contains one of Tozer's most consistent messages: Do not neglect the spiritual life, for you cannot afford to. Tozer warns against rising secularism, which is characterized by a muting or outright compromise of biblical truths, carnal worship, and lifestyles practically identical with that of the world. With a prophetic voice in articulate writing, he pens chapters like: *The Price of Neglect* Lyric Theology Personal Holiness Is a First Prayer Changes People—And Things The Value of a Good Home On Omitting the Third Stanza Heed Tozer's warning in *The Price of Neglect*, and give your spiritual life the attention it demands.

Tozer examines the price of following trends instead of God's word.

Ezra and Haggai are two books about a little-known time period in Israelite history. God had judged his people for their sin by sending neighboring peoples to conquer them, destroying their city and temple, sending them out of their homeland and into exile. These books tell the story of God bringing them back to their land once again. The people rebuild the city while God restores their hearts -- a beautiful picture of the faithfulness and steadfast love of God. This 11-week *Below the Surface* study is for women who want an in-depth look at God's Word. These are teaching studies in that you will not only walk away with a thorough understanding of these two books, but will also learn how to use tools, resources, and methods to study all of God's Word in a more fruitful way. (This is Part 1 of 2, but you will finish Ezra & Haggai in this study. Part 2 is a study on the book of Nehemiah, which is a continuation of the story of the post-exile remnant. Originally one

book in the Hebrew Bible, Ezra & Nehemiah are best studied together, so I've made them a pair.)

If you enjoy a book of substance, beautifully packaged, you'll love the classic 365-day devotional Daily Light on the Daily Path. For two centuries, this book has informed, encouraged, and challenged readers with its unique, all-scripture approach to readings—each day's entry is carefully woven from several scriptures from both the Old and New Testaments. The beloved King James Version is used throughout, and references are included with each reading. Handsomely packaged for gift-giving, this substantial yet never overwhelming devotional will provide you Daily Light on the Daily Path.

Prophetic Oracles of Salvation in the Old Testament is a comprehensive and innovative assessment of these often ignored or misunderstood canonical texts. Claus Westermann shows that these oracles occur in distinct forms and make up a coherent tradition. He goes on to demonstrate that these texts, often perceived only as a message of judgement and doom, in fact proclaim hope and deliverance as well.

The Haggai Project, a new look at reorienting the Christian back to Christ. A moment of reflection will help determine if this writing is for you. If you say yes to any of the following questions, congratulations, this book is for you. 1) Working hard to stop sinning and failing at it? 2) Working hard to do the will of God and getting nowhere? 3) Losing your desire to have that intimacy with Christ? 4) Sin no longer bothers you? 5) No longer a distinction between you and a non-believer? 6) Not knowing what He is even wanting you to do? Be honest with yourself and if any of these is a yes, you have come to the right place. For many Christians, their relationship with Jesus Christ has become mundane or religiously focused. This is unfortunate since Jesus Christ is neither mundane or religious, in His own words "I am" and that is exactly what we need to understand. The Haggai Project is written as a chapter by chapter book going over obstacles and challenges that face the Christian today. The book is written for an individual study or can be used by a group together. The questions at the end of each chapter are designed to help the reader grow in what God is wanting us to know. The Psalm's are designed to help the reader to continue to Walk with God throughout their day.

It can seem as though today's culture encourages weakness, not strength. And this attitude has crept into the church. Yet God's people are called to be soldiers, and to fight for His cause and kingdom. Based on the book of Joshua, Be Strong is an inspiring guide to pursuing a victorious life. Part of Dr. Warren W. Wiersbe's best-selling "BE" commentary series, Be Strong has now been updated with study questions and a new introduction by Ken Baugh. A respected pastor and Bible teacher, Dr. Wiersbe shares the need for strong, dedicated believers. You'll discover how to dodge defeat, pursue your purpose, and take hold of all God has in store for you.

Continued Mercies is the autobiography and meditations of James Burgess, a farmer from the Weald of Kent. Previously unpublished, it was written in installments between January 1926 and early 1931. James Burgess was the child of a poor farm labourer and had little education. His family attended the Huntingtonian cause at Providence Chapel, Cranbrook but he became a convinced Strict Baptist.

An excellent exegetical commentary

The last three books of the Old Testament, Haggai, Zechariah and Malachi, have not always received the attention they deserve from the church. This is in some ways surprising, since the Gospel writers quote Zechariah 9-14 more often than any other biblical source in explaining Christ's sufferings and death. The application sections show how the person and work of Christ are anticipated in these prophets. One reason for the tendency to neglect these three books lies in the fact that they address a community who were living in a day of small things, with little glory and no great triumphs to show off to a watching world. In a day like ours, which puts such a premium on charismatic leaders whose ministries exude glory and success, they may be viewed as something of an embarrassment. But if, like the apostle Paul, we are content to be broken vessels without glory in ourselves so that the glory of Christ crucified may be all the more plainly displayed, then we shall find much blessing in these books. In them, we shall read of the comfort and challenge that come from the presence of the living God in our midst, even when his glory is not on public display. In them, we shall also read of the anticipation of the day when the glory of God would come to earth in the person of Christ and bring about the long-promised salvation of his people.

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