Daily Devotional, February 10, 2021

'It's too Late to Procrastinate', (Haggai 1:2, NKJV)

"Thus speaks the LORD of hosts, saying: 'This people says, "The time has not come, the time that the LORD's house should be built."" (Haggai 1:2)

The children of Israel had been graciously brought out of the Babylonian captivity and back into the land, even to the city of Jerusalem. Yet they were more concerned about whatever it is they wanted to do than they were about taking care of spiritual business. They catered to their material needs over and above those things which glorify the God of heaven. The Lord, who knew their hearts, words, and actions, calls them out through His prophet Haggai. They were making excuses as to why this was not the right time to rebuild the temple. If left unchecked in this state, these folks probably never would get around to doing anything spiritually profitable, either inwardly or outwardly.

Let us now ask ourselves whether or not we are making excuses and procrastinating away the time that God has given us instead of redeeming it. Today, it's time to hit the ground praying and getting about the business of building our own houses. You don't know what to do? Solomon's advise is this: "Whatever your hand finds to do, do it with your might; for there is no work or device or knowledge or wisdom in the grave where you are going" (Ecclesiastes 9:10). So do something. Has Jesus saved your soul for naught, if indeed you have received Him as Savior? Have you been putting off matters of God of eternal value? It's time to repent and move forward. It's too late to procrastinate.