

BECOMING AN ACCEPTABLE SACRIFICE

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- Haggai 2:6-14 – I will shake ... glory will come.
- Does God feel at home with you?
- The context of Haggai 2 is a great time of outpouring.
- Question: If something is unholy, and it touches something holy, is it now holy? ... No!
- Question: If something is holy, and it touches something unholy, is it now unholy? ... Yes!
- The point ... we must ask the Lord to cleanse us from defilement.
- Wedding – everyone was invited, but they had to have wedding clothes to stay.
- Hebrews 12:25-29 quotes Haggai 2:6
- Verse 28 – Acceptable sacrifice (service) – “Letraeo” (Greek)
- Four things needed for an acceptable sacrifice
 1. Flesh (yours and mine) – spotless, blameless, without defect - fat – the good part, but holds impurities
 2. Fire – Holy fire
 3. Altar (Exodus 20:25) – made with stones (natural, not altered)
 4. Wood – arranged in order

1. Flesh

- Romans 12:1 – present yourself as a living sacrifice, holy and living, this is your reasonable service of worship

2. Fire

- Holy fire (the zeal of the Lord)
- Isaiah 9:2-8
- Galatians 5 – It was for freedom that God set you free

3. Altar

- Build with what God provides
- 1 Chronicles 21:18-27
- Salvation is free – everything else costs

4. Wood

- 1 Kings 18
- 12 stones = government of God
- Arranges the wood in proper order
- Wood = your life
- Good father honours his word
- So get your life in order
- So yield yourself to God, so He can continue to bless you.