S[†]NICK'STALKS

CHRISTIANITY

SCEPTICS, ENQUIRERS & BELIEVERS

A very warm welcome Chris Fishlock is speaking on Haggai 1:1-15

Notices

- 1. New? If you're here for the first time and would like more information about St Nick's Talks, including our weekly email, please fill in a contact card or visit: www.stnickstalks.org/new.
- 2. St Nick's Talks Partnership. A weekly opportunity to discuss what we've been learning and pray for gospel ministry in the City. Monday Lunchtimes and Tuesday mornings at St Nick's church. Email sophie@snca.co.uk for more details.
- 3. Partners' Event. A chance to meet a wider group of Gospel Partners to look back with thanksgiving and to look forward in prayer to the year ahead. Tuesday 7th March at St Nick's Church, welcome drinks from 6.15pm, event from **6.45pm-8pm**. Scan the QR code to sign up.



4. Curry Night. Sign up and invite guests for a curry and a short talk explaining the Christian faith with guest speaker Roger Carswell. Monday 20th March at The India, 21 College Hill, EC4R 2RP from 7pm-9pm. More information is available on our website. Scan the QR code to sign up, booking essential.



Introduction

1. Source of discouragement – a rather pathetic looking temple (v3)

Looking back to the glory days of the past

Looking in at the apparent worthlessness of the present

2. Solution to discouragement – a Glorious God who promises (v4-9)

Look back to what God has done

Look forward to what God will do

Timeline

c.1700 BC	c.1240 BC	587 BC	537 BC		520 BC	time
Captivity in Egypt. Escape by Passover lamb	Brought safely to the promised land: Canaan	Jerusalem & temple destroyed	Some of God's people return to Jerusalem. Start building the Lord's house	Work stops. Period of complacency for nearly 18 vears	Work on the Lord's house begins again	

Questions:

- In what ways are we tempted to be discouraged?
- What are the solutions to discouragement that Haggai gives the people?
- How can we do this effectively today?