

Greater Than (#2)

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The books of Ezra & Haggai

Starting strong, flaming fast...

600 BC – Babylonians conquer Jerusalem

586 BC – Israelite temple destroyed

539 BC – Assyrians conquer Babylon

516 BC – Temple is rebuilt

Construction begins, discouragement follows...

Then the peoples around them set out to discourage the people of Judah and make them afraid to go on building.

Ezra 4:4 (NIV)

Flame reignited, provisions provided...

⁵ Now this is what the Lord Almighty says: "Give careful thought to your ways. ⁶ You have planted much, but harvested little. You eat, but never have enough. You drink, but never have your fill. You put on clothes, but are not warm. You earn wages, only to put them in a purse with holes in it."... ⁹ Why?" declares the Lord Almighty. "Because of my house, which remains a ruin, while each of you is busy with your own house." Haggai 1:1-9 (NIV)