I WILL FILL THIS HOUSE WITH GLORY

Haggai 2:1-19 (Key verse 7)

I will shake all nations, and the desired of all nations will come, and I will fill this house with glory,’ says the LORD Almighty.

1. After beginning to work on the house of the LORD Almighty (1:14), why were the people pessimistic and afraid? (3, 4d-5) How might their negative attitude have affected their labour? But what did the LORD command them to do? (4) Then, what did the LORD Almighty promise them?
2. Read verses 7 and 9. Who is “the desired of all nations”? What should they look forward to while building the house of the LORD? Then, who would fill the LORD’s house with glory? How would He do this? (9) What does the phrase “I will grant peace” mean? Based on these verses how can we pray for ourselves, others and the Church?
3. According to the law what is easier: be made holy or defiled? (12-13) What might the Israelites thought about themselves while they lived in the Promised Land and made sacrifices to the LORD there? But what was their real condition before the LORD? (14) How could they be acceptable to the LORD? Although you serve in the ministry and build the LORD’s house, when only will you and your deeds be acceptable to the LORD?
4. How were things before one stone was laid on another in the LORD’s temple? (15-16) Why was that? (17) Why did the LORD struck all the work of their hands with blight, mildew and hail? Yet, until then, how did they respond? But from that day on, if they put their priorities back in order, what did the LORD promise them? (19b) In light of this passage, what will be your first priority?