

Sermon Title: **“WHEN GLORY RETURNS & THE SILENCE IS BROKEN”**

Haggai 2:6-9

- For 400 years (as the world continued to turn and historical events carried on setting the stage) _____ was deafening
 - Since around 590BC (Just before _____ came in and completely destroyed Jerusalem and the Temple) God’s _____
 - What makes this _____ so heartbreaking is that the people didn’t even immediately _____ that God’s presence had left
 - Theologians agree that this silence, which _____ spoke of, was ultimately _____ during the 400 years of silence
 - “Famine” = This word suggests deep _____ and desperation
 - So many monumental _____ occurred during the 400 years where God’s famine of silence stretched over the land
1. Alexander the Great swept through the world like a _____
 - Under Alexander the Great’s military prowess the world was unified in one _____ and in one _____
 2. Rome _____ following Alexander the Great’s death
 - Under the Roman Empire there was relative _____ and stability
 3. Roman _____
 - Roughly _____ of roads were built throughout the Roman Empire (This set the stage for Jesus’ ministry)
- It is important to know God wasn’t _____ although He was _____ (God was sovereignly arranging everything)
 - God never _____ His People (Silence isn’t the same thing as absence) God was at work and He _____
 - The Book of Haggai focuses on a _____ of the people for having their priorities misplaced
 - God’s glory would return to the _____, but it was not through the temple being _____
 - “Dwelt” = literally means _____