

# Haggai 2:20

Authorized King James Version (KJV)

And again the word of the LORD came unto Haggai in the four and twentieth day of the month, saying,

## Analysis

**And again the word of the LORD came unto Haggai in the four and twentieth day of the month** (דָבָר־יְהוָה שְׁנִית אֶל־חֶגְבִּין בְּעֶשֶׂרִים וְאֶרְבַּעַת לְחַדְשָׁה) vayehi debar-YHWH shenit el-Chaggai be'esrim ve'arba'ah lachodesh)—God's word came **again** (שְׁנִית) on the same day (December 18, 520 BC). Haggai received two messages on this date: the third message (2:10-19) addressed the community's holiness and promised blessing; this fourth message (2:20-23) addresses Zerubbabel specifically with messianic promise. Both were necessary—corporate encouragement and specific hope for Davidic leadership.

The repetition of **the word of the LORD came** (דָבָר־יְהוָה) emphasizes prophetic authority. What follows isn't Haggai's speculation but divine revelation. God's multiple messages to the same person on the same day demonstrate that He has much to say to His people—not just one truth but multifaceted revelation addressing different needs and perspectives.

## Historical Context

Receiving two distinct messages on the same day suggests an intensive period of prophetic revelation. Haggai's brief ministry (four messages over four months, August-December 520 BC) packed extraordinary theological content addressing holiness, blessing, eschatology, and messianic hope. This fourth message would be Haggai's final recorded prophecy, climaxing with God's promise to Zerubbabel as His chosen signet ring—a remarkable conclusion pointing to Christ.

## Related Passages

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**Revelation 20:12** — Judgment according to deeds

**Romans 2:1** — Judging others

## Study Questions

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1. How does God's willingness to speak multiple times on the same day demonstrate His desire to communicate fully with His people?
2. What does it mean to remain receptive to God's word throughout the day, expecting Him to speak through Scripture, circumstances, and the Spirit?
3. How do you distinguish between different messages God may be communicating simultaneously—corporate truth and personal calling, immediate obedience and future hope?

## Interlinear Text

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בָּעֵשֶׂר יְמִינָה	מִן	חִגְגָה	וְאֶל	שְׁנִית	יְהִי הַנּוֹתָר	דָּבָר	יְמִינָה	וְאֶל	שְׁנִית	יְהִי הַנּוֹתָר	דָּבָר	יְמִינָה	
H1961	the word	of the LORD		And again		H413	came unto Haggai		and twentieth				
H1697				H3068		H8145			H2292			H6242	
הַרְבֵּעַ	לְחַדֵּשׁ	לְאַמְרָה:											
in the four	day of the month	saying											
H702				H2320		H559							

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