

Tonight's message:

Breaking the 'SMALL CHURCH MINDSET' – pt3

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Today's text:

Ezra 3:10-12, Zechariah 4:10, Haggai 2:1-9

Introduction:

Isaiah 54:2 *"Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations: spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes;"*

Problem 1 – A STRONG SENSE OF BELONGING

Problem 2 – FAMILIAR STRANGERS

Problem 3 – NO STRUCTURE FOR INTIMACY

Problem 4 – I _____ BASED ON THE PAST

- The 'ancients' could only see the following
 - The new was not as g_____ as the old
 - The new was s_____ compared to the old
 - The new was hopeless and not worth it!



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- The ancient men despised the *day of small things*
 - They had lost their v_____ for the future

- Churches can get like that
 - It's about mindset and p_____

Ecclesiastes 7:10 *"Say not thou, What is the cause that the former days were better than these? For thou dost not enquire wisely concerning this."*

Solution:

S_____ passing judgment about y_____



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T_____ to God now, and watch Him work t_____!

- Look to the opportunity we presently have, rather than the ones we have l_____

Haggai 2:4-5 *"Yet now be strong... for I am with you... fear not."*

- We serve the same God who did great things yesterday, and He hasn't c_____!
- Trust God and walk by f_____



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L_____ ahead

- See what God s_____
- They were judging the building, God was looking at the glory He was going to get in p_____!

Haggai 2:9 *"The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former..."*

- He promised that the b_____ is yet to c_____!

Conclusion:

