



Persevering Through Discouragement

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Talk It Over

The Time Is Now
Week 2:
“Persevering Through
Discouragement”

TWO CAUSES OF DISCOURAGEMENT

1. Lack of _____

2. _____

A CURE FOR DISCOURAGEMENT

3. Be _____

4. Do The _____

SMALL TALK

1. Describe something in your life that you were excited about, but over time became discouraged with and gave up on.

VIEWPOINT

2. **Read Haggai 1:1-12.** What were some of the factors that disrupted the work on the temple and brought discouragement?
3. **Read Haggai 1:13-14.** Why do you think God starts by telling His people that He is with them?
4. Read the following scriptures about perseverance: *James 1:12, Romans 5:3-5, 1 Chronicles 16:11, Hebrews 12:1-15.* What encouragement do these offer?

GETTING PERSONAL

5. What is most discouraging for you, comparison or lack of progress, and why?
6. What have you allowed into your life that keeps you from being strong and doing the work you need to do to get past discouragement?
7. What choices and decisions have you made that causes identity amnesia, forgetting that God is with you and in you?

MAKING PROGRESS

8. Everyone has a next step. What can you commit to do each day to deepen your understanding of who you are in Christ and to be strong and do the work?

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