

# Feeling Stuck? Why the Wilderness Season May Be God's Greatest Preparation for Your Miracle

In a powerful message, Rabbi Jonathan Cahn delivered a prophetic word grounded in the book of Haggai, calling believers to rise up, remember their calling, and step into the greater glory God has prepared. Drawing from Haggai 2:4–9, Cahn emphasized God's charge to Zerubbabel, Joshua the high priest, and the remnant of Israel to "take courage... and work, for I am with you."

Just as the ancient Israelites returned from Babylonian exile and faced opposition in rebuilding the second temple, Cahn reminded believers that today's spiritual battles are no different. For 15 years, the people in Haggai's day delayed the work of God's house, distracted by their own homes, businesses and personal concerns. But God sent a wake-up call: "The glory of the latter house shall be greater than the former."

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That ancient prophecy became deeply personal for Cahn and his congregation. Years before they faced a major transition, a pastor with a profound prophetic gift gave Cahn a word: "Enlarge your tent... I will give you a place you will own... The glory of the latter house will be greater than the former." At the time, there was no apparent need to move—they were renting a large space. But one year later, a crisis came. Their landlord demanded they vacate. Suddenly, the prophetic word made perfect sense.



**To order Jonathan Cahn's new book, *The Avatar*, visit .**

What followed was a journey filled with obstacles: broken negotiations, zoning denials and real estate roadblocks. At one point, the property they believed was from God was sold to another buyer. But miraculously, the deal fell through, and the building came back on the market—on the very Hebrew date (Elul 24) that Haggai's original prophecy was delivered. The confirmations continued to unfold, including another word from the same pastor who visited two years later and declared once again from Haggai 2: "The glory of the latter house shall be greater than the former."

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On the Feast of Tabernacles—their final service in the old building—they uncovered two silver trumpets, echoing Numbers 10:2, where God commands the blowing of trumpets when His people are about to move forward. The next day, after fervent prayer, the town unexpectedly reversed its decision and granted them the building. The vote took place on the exact biblical day of the latter house prophecy: the 21st day of the seventh month.

Cahn urged listeners not to miss the message for their own lives. "God is saying, 'Remember the calling I gave you. Remember the promise. I haven't revoked it. Rise up and get on with it.'" What seems like delay, disappointment or setback may in fact be God's orchestration, bringing everything into perfect alignment for His glory.

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As believers face uncertainty in the world, Cahn's word is a

clear call to return to God's priorities, to trust His timing and to believe for the greater glory that is yet to come. "You don't need to know the future," he said, "you just need to walk with the One who holds it."

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## **Defend Free Enterprise**

Our research indicates that the economic system we call the free enterprise system was derived from the laws given to the Israelites in our Bible.

Free enterprise is the basis of the prosperity we have inherited in America, yet it has come under increasing attack by anti-freedom and anti-Christian forces which have arisen. Now an avowed socialist has been selected by a major political party to run as mayor of New York City.

It is up to us to defend free enterprise if we hope to save our freedom and prosperity.

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There are five main features of a godly economy which we call the five pillars of prosperity. Each is under attack:

The foundational pillar is adhering to the rule of law (Leviticus 9:15 and Exodus 22:21) which creates a level playing field and certainty in business transactions. Our laws are enacted by Congress under our Constitution, but there has been a steady encroachment by bureaucrats and our presidents. We have seen government agencies like the IRS, the Justice Department, the Labor Department, the Environmental Protection

Agency and others try to enforce regulations which blatantly contradict laws passed by Congress.

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Our courts, which are designed to protect us from these lawless power grabs, have begun to return to constitutional principles in their recent decisions and now are under attack by a scheme to “pack” the Supreme Court with lawless judges. We need only look to the example of Argentina, which packed its court and allowed lawless government policies, to see how a prosperous country can be driven into poverty by subverting the rule of law.

The second pillar of prosperity is the right to own private property (Deuteronomy 28:9-11, Exodus 20:25 and 22:1-5), which is the very expression of freedom and prosperity. Yet private property is under attack from big government restrictions to achieve social objectives, excess taxation and efforts to sabotage politically disfavored businesses like energy and firearms. And the American socialists who seem to have forgotten how socialism and its cousin communism drove nations into poverty and murdered millions. Property rights are a bulwark against tyranny and slavery.

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The third pillar is the right to freedom of labor (Deuteronomy 28:8), to reap the rewards of our work. The right to determine how you work and for whom is a mainspring of creativity and flexibility, as for example when Uber drivers signed up to supplement their income. But self-employment lets people save on their taxes by deducting expenses, so big government has come against companies like Uber to force drivers to be taxed as employees and be targeted for union organization. Government also restricts services through unnecessary

licensing laws, depriving people of opportunity and driving up consumer prices. Everyone suffers when government interferes with freedom of labor.

The fourth pillar of prosperity is limited government (Deuteronomy 16:19-20 and 17:16-20). God warned Israel, when they wanted a king, that authoritarian rule would subvert the rule of law, compromise private property rights, and undermine freedom of labor (1 Samuel 8:11-18). This process has been underway in America as big government has become more powerful, and now we have dedicated authoritarian politicians who brazenly want to end our freedom of religion, freedom of speech, freedom of self-defense and our other constitutional rights. Nobel prize winning economist Friedrich Hayek warned us of the outcome of unlimited government in the title of his classic book, *The Road to Serfdom*.

Finally, the fifth pillar of prosperity is protecting poor (Deuteronomy 15:7,15:11, and Exodus 22:20-27). In ancient Israel, this protection included the obligation of believers to help the needy, limits on usury, the right to start over and the right to rise from poverty. The Church has largely turned its obligations to help the poor over to the government, but as a result government programs have stifled the ability of many to rise out of poverty. We have also seen usury limits abandoned, allowing up to 500 percent annual interest, and bankruptcy protections eroded. By creating a permanent underclass of poor people dependent on government we are putting our entire society at risk.

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Thinking they are helping the poor, many in the Church have not stood up for God's free enterprise system. But the best way to help the poor is to follow God's design for a prosperous economy, the free enterprise system. We need to educate our people and speak out to defend the rule of law,

private property, freedom of labor, limited government, and protection of the poor.

Establishing economic literacy should be a goal of our Churches.

“My People are destroyed for lack of knowledge” Hosea 4:6

Don't let it happen in America.

Defend free enterprise while you can.

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## **Hell Will Be Full of Pastors: Scary Reality About Your Faith**

There's only one truth and one way to heaven: through Jesus Christ alone.

This is the message that Pastor Mark Driscoll recently shared, and while it may seem like the simplest, most basic part of the Christian faith, it's a reality that so many have ignored.

“You can have your parents baptize you as a baby in the church. You can grow up going to youth group in the church. You can serve in the church, you can sing songs in the church, you can tithe to the church ... and go to hell,” Driscoll says.

Driscoll's message on Hebrews four was a call for Christians to look past their religious activity and examine the true condition of their heart posture toward the Lord.

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"These are people that spent 40 years going to church and not going to heaven," he said, referring to the Israelites in the wilderness. "They had something that today we would call portable church ... it was called the Tabernacle ... and they would worship and they would have church."