

Jesus Paid It All

Ezra 6:6-9

Israel began laying the foundation for rebuilding the temple of God. They were bullied into not refinishing it and for 12 years, no work was done. God sent the prophet Haggai and Zechariah to prophesy to the people. God said, "You're thirsty, and never satisfied because you let my house stand in ruins, but you go to your fancy homes. You're hungry, thirsty, and never satisfied because I called for a drought. I withheld dew and put everything on pause simply because you have withheld from me."

Joshua and Zerubbabel listened and began the rebuilding process. Tattenai, the Trans Euphrates, tried to thwart their efforts again. They wrote letters to King Darius and believed they could convince him to stop the work. The devil always tries to throw a wrench in your efforts.

The eye of their God was watching over them. King Darius looked through the annals and saw what King Cyrus had declared. He said he could not get in the way of what God was doing, so he decreed that the temple be rebuilt. He instructed them to stay away from Tattenai and Shethar-bozenai.

When you do work for God he will protect you. We have to trust God and watch him provide.

All expenses would be paid, and Darius paid from the revenues of the Trans Euphrates man. They built God's temple, and God wants us to build up our spiritual house - our body, which is the temple of the Holy Ghost.

Darius built God's house so they could pray. We must build up our house in prayer. If we have praying power we can change the world.