

D. The Leaders of Israel

1. Zerubbabel, son of Shealtiel, (Haggai 1:1, Ezra 2:1). It is a problem to know if he is identical with Sheshbazaar, prince of Judah (Ezra 1) (5:14). I am prone to think they are the same persons (different names as in the case of Daniel, etc., although many scholars do not feel this way...and I "wouldn't split a church over it."
2. Joshua, son of Jozadek, (Ezra 3:1), the high priest.
3. Haggai, Zechariah (Ezra 6:1, 14; Hag. 2:3, etc) the prophets. They seem to be younger men...at least in the case of Zechariah. Haggai is only mentioned with the rebeginning of the rebuilding process.

E. The Temple Construction

1. Reference and dates of the work:

<u>Book</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Month</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Ref</u>
Haggai	2	6	1	1:1
"	2	6	24	1:15
"		7	20	2:1
Zechariah	2	8		1:1
Haggai	2	9	24	2:10
Zechariah	2	11	24	1:7
"	4	9	4	7:1
Ezra	6	12	3	6:15

As a side note in the general interest of understanding Chronology better...here are the Hebrew calendar months:

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| 1. Nisan (Abib) | 7. Tishri (Ethanim) |
| 2. Ziz (Azan) | 8. Marchesan (Bul) |
| 3. Siwan | 9. Chisleu |
| 4. Tammuz | 10. Tebbeth |
| 5. Abh | 11. Shebath |
| 6. Elul | 12. Adhar |
| | 13. 2nd Adhar |

You will remember that the religious year begins in Nisan and the "civil" year in Tishri. The official celebrations for these months may be checked out in Leviticus 23. It is interesting to note the very particular specifications given in the account for a very correct and exact documenting of the progress on the "house of God." The importance of this work is vital to the understanding of the book of Zechariah.