

- Family service; Bodybuilders promotion service too

## Blessings (v.10-19)

- Food colouring into clean water
    - adding more water doesn't clean the water!
  - Something like that is being described here:
    - clean (holy) stuff doesn't make other stuff clean (holy)
    - but dirty (unclean) stuff does defile/dirty other stuff
  - But, God says, things are going to be different now:
    - though they had turned to God maybe 3 months before...
    - still not a huge lot had happened on the site...
    - commentators reckon it took them a few years to actually complete the task
    - but that decisive change - starting to build - now comes to a definite point, the "day when the foundation of the Lord's Temple was laid"
    - and from now on the curses will be undone; God will act
    - they can't make themselves clean - they can only co-operate in God's work
    - he makes them clean, he deals with the defilement, and he shows that in the blessings that start to come on them
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## Cygnets? Signets? (v.20-23)

- How many rings are there in church?
  - get kids to go and count!!
- Why do people wear them?
  - to show love, to remember....
  - to look good

### Signet Ring

- A ring with letters or a design carved onto it, used as a royal seal to prove validity of documents
  - to talk of a person in such a way is a sign of approval!
  - he had a hugely significant place to play in God's plans and purposes
  - some degree of foreshadowing of Messiah
  - but also, in Christ, we can also be truly described as God's signet rings