

“VISION: From Cloudiness to Clarity”

Habakkuk 2:1-4



Habakkuk's Questions to God

1. How long must I cry and before you will hear? (1:2)
2. Why are you letting me see all this sin and doing nothing about it? (1:3)
3. Isn't it true that you do not change? (1:12)
4. How are you letting our enemy triumph over us, your covenant people? (1:13)
5. Are you going to let them get away with this continuously? (1:17)

I. The Receiving of a Vision (2:1)

- A. One must have determination - “I will take my stand at my watchpost...”
- B. One must find elevation - “...and station myself on the tower...”
- C. One must purify his inclination - “...and look out to see what He will say to me...”

WHAT GOD MIGHT SAY TO YOU WHEN YOU EARNESTLY SEEK HIM:

- a. A word of conviction - this deficiency in your life must be addressed
 - b. A word of caution - this danger in your life is approaching
 - c. A word of comfort - this difficulty in your life is temporary
 - d. A word of commission - this direction in your life is My vision - run with it!
- D. One must allow for renovation - “...and what I will answer concerning my complaint.”

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II. The Release of a Vision (2:2)

- E. Certify the vision - "Write the vision..." First, rehearse it in your mind and then engrave it in your heart
- F. Simplify the vision - "...make it plain on tablets..." Why do we make the Christian life so complicated?
- G. Amplify the vision - "...so he may run who reads it."
 - i. Overcomplication will kill motivation
 - ii. A shared vision is a multiplied vision
 - iii. If it is truly a plan from God, you will likely need the participation of others
 - iv. A vision that never involves action is nothing more than a daydream

III. The Resilience of a Vision (2:3-4)

Resilience: the ability of a thing to recover its size and shape after deformation caused by compressive stress.

- H. Be aware of God's timing - "For still the vision awaits its appointed time..." "It is coming" illustration from 1996
- I. Be aware of the vision's certainty - If it is from God: "...it hastens to the end—it will not lie...it will surely come; it will not delay."
- J. Be aware of your need for patience - "If it seems slow, wait for it ...the righteous shall live by his faith."