



THE MINOR *Prophets*





HABAKKUK





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and enables me to walk on mountain heights!”

HABAKKUK 3:19 (HCSB)





Habakkuk's Complaint

HABAKKUK 1:1-4

This is the message that the prophet Habakkuk received in a vision. How long, O Lord, must I call for help? But you do not listen! Violence is everywhere!" I cry, but you do not come to save. Must I forever see these evil deeds? Why must I watch all this misery? Wherever I look, I see destruction and violence. I am surrounded by people who love to argue and fight. The law has become paralyzed, and there is no justice in the courts. The wicked far outnumber the righteous, so that justice has become perverted.





God's Response

HABAKKUK 1:6-8

I am raising up the Babylonians, a cruel and violent people. They will march across the world and conquer other lands. They are notorious for their cruelty and do whatever they like. Their horses are swifter than cheetahs and fiercer than wolves at dusk. Their charioteers charge from far away. Like eagles, they swoop down to devour their prey.





Habakkuk's Second Complaint

HABAKKUK 1:12-13, 2:1

O Lord my God, my Holy One, you who are eternal— surely you do not plan to wipe us out? O Lord, our Rock, you have sent these Babylonians to correct us, to punish us for our many sins. But you are pure and cannot stand the sight of evil. Will you wink at their treachery? Should you be silent while the wicked swallow up people more righteous than they?...

I will climb up to my watchtower and stand at my guardpost. There I will wait to see what the Lord says and how he will answer my complaint.





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HABAKKUK 2:20

But the Lord is in his holy Temple. Let all the earth be silent before him.





Habakkuk's Prayer

HABAKKUK 3:1-2

This prayer was sung by the prophet Habakkuk:
I have heard all about you, Lord. I am filled with awe by your amazing works in this time of our deep need, help us again as you did in years gone by. And in your anger, remember your mercy.





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ROMANS 1:17

This Good News tells us how God makes us right in his sight. This is accomplished from start to finish by faith. As the Scriptures say, “It is through faith that a righteous person has life.”

GALATIANS 3:11

HEBREWS 10:38





Living By Faith in God and His Goodness

1. Trust The Good Heart of God

- Faith doesn't always understand God's means, but it always trusts God's motives





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“In the daily disappointments that threaten to consume your emotional resources and deflect your attention away from the Lord, you have a real hope and real choice for joy and abundant living in Christ. Circumstances do not control you. Jesus does. You don't have to be the victim of your feelings. You can choose to look to God, listen, learn, and move ahead. As you do...the wounded, dejected places in your heart and the scars of old disappointment will melt away in God's restoring love.” - Charles Stanley





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