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Prophets hear from God and share the message with God's people. They are truth-tellers, crisis managers, and promise sharers.

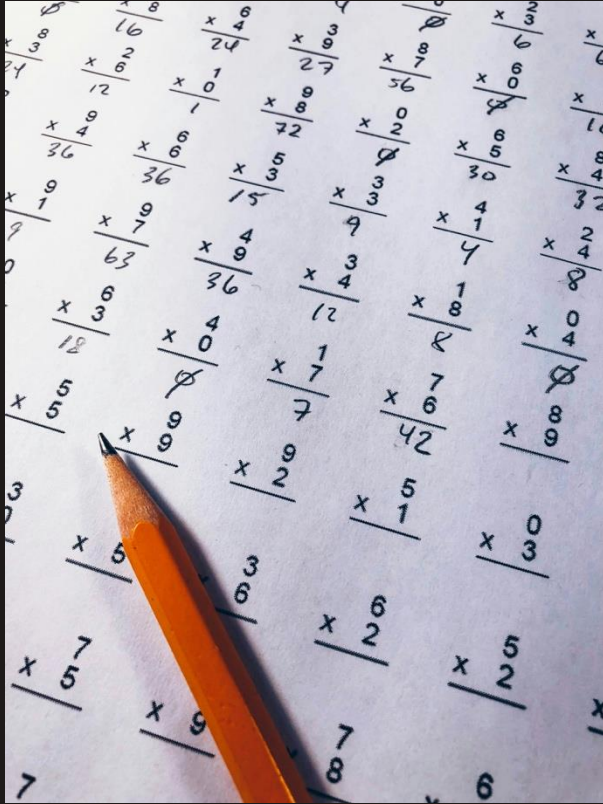
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Prophets teach through their words
AND through their own story of
transformation.

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The Prophets model God's perfect faithfulness to us, not our perfect faithfulness to God.

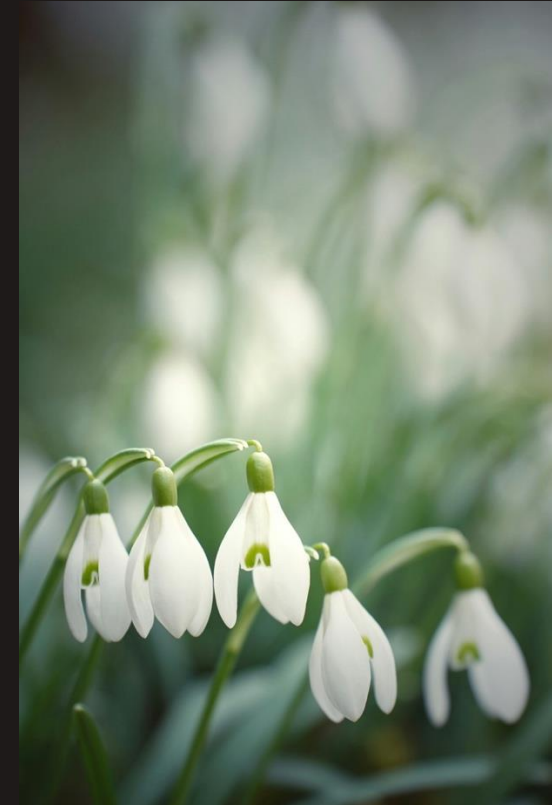
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Order



Disorder



Reorder

Complaint #1: Habakkuk 1:2-3

How long, LORD, must I call for help,
but you do not listen?

Or cry out to you, "Violence!"
but you do not save?

Why do you make me look at injustice?
Why do you tolerate wrongdoing?

Complaint #2

THAT IS WORSE

“Why then do you tolerate the treacherous?
Why are you silent while the wicked
swallow up those more righteous than themselves?”

Have you ever asked these questions?

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5 Woes & 5 Consequences

God responds with warnings for Babylon, including the consequences of their injustice (valuing money and power over human dignity).

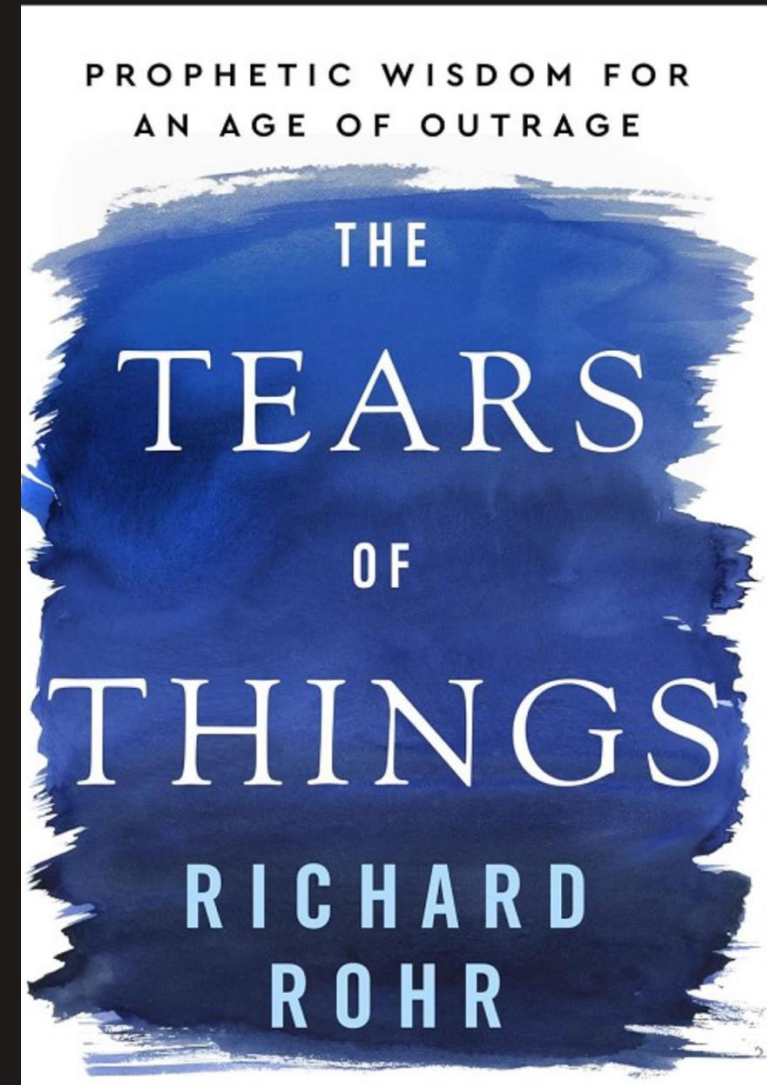
“Woe to him who builds a city with bloodshed and establishes a town by injustice!

Has not the LORD Almighty determined
that the people’s labor is only fuel for the fire,
that the nations exhaust themselves for nothing?
**For the earth will be filled with the knowledge of
the glory of the LORD
as the waters cover the sea.**

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Mature prophecy is not
fueled by outrage,
but by *love filtered
through tears.*

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Habakkuk 3:16-19

Yet I will wait patiently for the day of calamity
to come on the nation invading us.

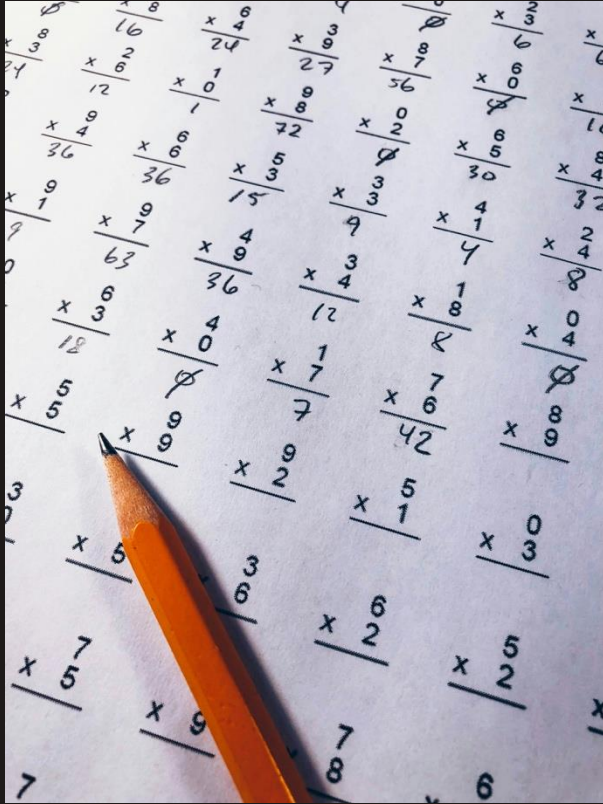
Though the fig tree does not bud
and there are no grapes on the vines,
though the olive crop fails

and the fields produce no food,
though there are no sheep in the pen

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and no cattle in the stalls,
yet I will rejoice in the Lord,
I will be joyful in God my Savior.

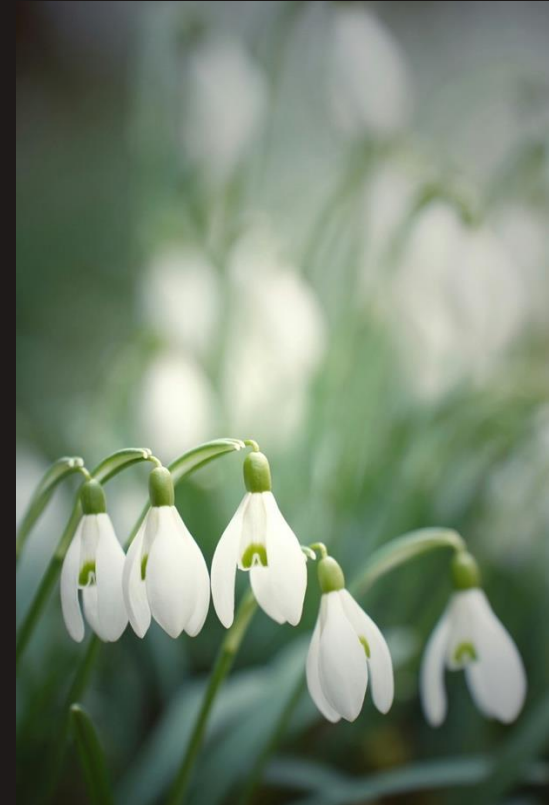
The Sovereign Lord is my strength;
he makes my feet like the feet of a deer,
he enables me to tread on the heights.



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Can you give yourself permission to go
on the inner journey?

What questions do you need to ask?

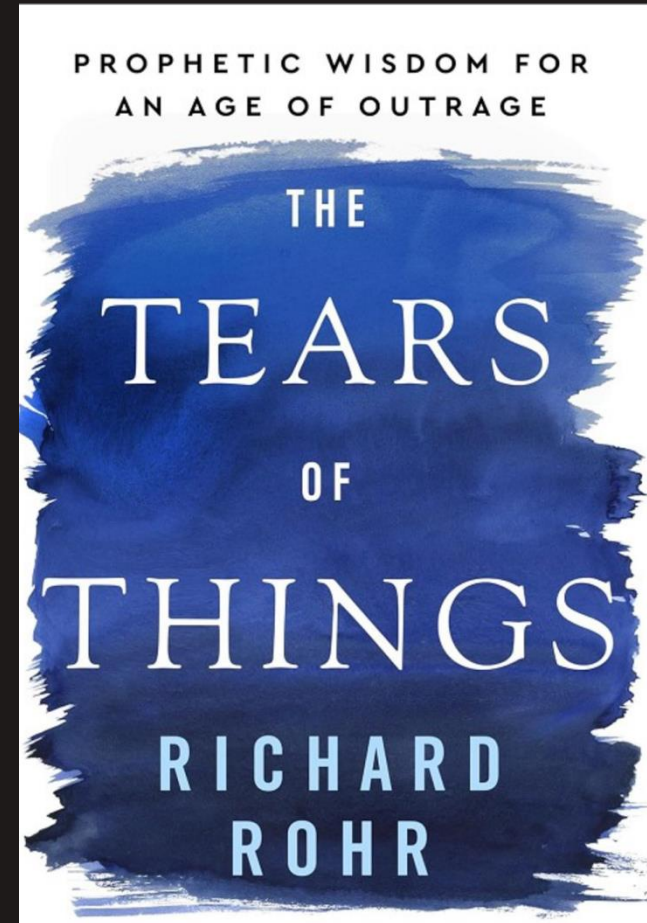
What is worth your outrage?

What do you need to cry about?

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“Our refusal to allow ourselves to be loved undeservedly and unconditionally will probably forever be the anguish of every prophet.”

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