

Message Notes

"I don't get it, but You are my only hope"

Scripture Passages

(taken from the New International Version)

Introduction – *"What helps you through the hard times?"*

A Quick Recap

1. A Silent God and a Loud Prophet
Habakkuk 1:1-4
2. God does the unexpected
Habakkuk 1:5-11
3. "You're going to do WHAT?!?"
Habakkuk 1:12-17
4. God WILL not be mocked. God responds with 5 "woes" to specific sins:
Habakkuk 2:1-20
 - a. Extortion
 - b. Unjust Gain
 - c. Violence for Personal Gain
 - d. Exploitation
 - e. Idolatry

Habakkuk's Response to God's Declarations (Habakkuk 3:1-19)

No More Protesting – A Song of Prayer
Habakkuk 3:1

The Request of Habakkuk
Habakkuk 3:2

"God came..." – God shows up and is my Deliverer
Habakkuk 3:3-8

"You uncovered your bow..." – God is my Warrior
Habakkuk 3:9-13a

You crushed the leader of the land..." – God is my Victor
Habakkuk 3:13b-15

The incredible fear of Habakkuk
Habakkuk 3:16

The incredible faith of Habakkuk
Habakkuk 3:17-19

Application – *"How does your fear lead to faith?"*

Habakkuk 3:1-19

¹A prayer of Habakkuk the prophet. On shigionoth.

²LORD, I have heard of your fame; I stand in awe of your deeds, O LORD. Renew them in our day, in our time make them known; in wrath remember mercy.

³God came from Teman, the Holy One from Mount Paran. Selah His glory covered the heavens and his praise filled the earth. ⁴His splendor was like the sunrise; rays flashed from his hand, where his power was hidden. ⁵Plague went before him; pestilence followed his steps. ⁶He stood, and shook the earth; he looked, and made the nations tremble. The ancient mountains crumbled and the age-old hills collapsed. His ways are eternal. ⁷I saw the tents of Cushan in distress, the dwellings of Midian in anguish. ⁸Were you angry with the rivers, O LORD? Was your wrath against the streams? Did you rage against the sea when you rode with your horses and your victorious chariots?

⁹You uncovered your bow, you called for many arrows. Selah You split the earth with rivers; ¹⁰the mountains saw you and writhed. Torrents of water swept by; the deep roared and lifted its waves on high. ¹¹Sun and moon stood still in the heavens at the glint of your flying arrows, at the lightning of your flashing spear. ¹²In wrath you strode through the earth and in anger you threshed the nations. ¹³You came out to deliver your people, to save your anointed one.

You crushed the leader of the land of wickedness, you stripped him from head to foot. Selah ¹⁴With his own spear you pierced his head when his warriors stormed out to scatter us, gloating as though about to devour the wretched who were in hiding. ¹⁵You trampled the sea with your horses, churning the great waters.

¹⁶I heard and my heart pounded, my lips quivered at the sound; decay crept into my bones, and my legs trembled. Yet I will wait patiently for the day of calamity to come on the nation invading us.

¹⁷Though 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 and no cattle in the stalls, ¹⁸yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will be joyful in God my Savior. ¹⁹The Sovereign LORD is my strength; he makes my feet like the feet of a deer, he enables me to go on the heights. For the director of music. On my stringed instruments.