



FINDING GOD "Finding God in the Delays of Life" Habakkuk

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Is your heart asking, "How long, O Lord"? Who or what are you waiting for? A job? A friend to be a friend? Someone to love you or for you to love back? Are you waiting for a break—or a baby? A child to say they're sorry, reconciliation, or an important prayer to be answered? Maybe you're waiting for the bullying or betrayal to stop—or lying, hating, injustice, corruption, or hurt. Or perhaps you are in a crisis of faith that needs to be resolved.

Habakkuk was a prophet living at a low point in Israel's history. We meet him asking God questions and struggling with the answers.

I. Habakkuk ENGAGES. Ch. 1

- A. Wondering what God is doing.
 - 1. A complaint. vv. 1 & 2
 - 2. A problem with the divine government of the universe.
- B. Wondering what God is like.
 - 1. A crisis of faith. vv. 12-17
 - 2. A problem with the divine character of God.
 - 3. Is God there? v. 2
 - a. Does God care? v. 3
 - b. Is God fair? v. 4

II. Habakkuk ENQUIRES. Ch. 2

- A. Waiting to get God's perspective, standing on the high tower. vs. 2:1
 - 1. Realism. vv. 1 & 5-20
 - 2. Revelation. vv. 2, 3 & 14
 - 3. Renewal. vv. 4 & 3:2

III. Habakkuk EXPLORES. Ch. 3

- A. Worshipping the God of glory.
 - 1. His power in nature. vv. 5-18
 - 2. His promise in victory. v. 16

IV. Habakkuk EMBRACES What God Calls Him to ENDURE. vv. 17-19

- A. Fig tree.
- B. Vines.
- C. Sheep.
- D. Cattle.

Conclusion: He is my song. v. 18; Sovereign strength & Savior. vv. 18 & 19