

Habakkuk 3:1-19 **Acknowledging Yahweh's Power Over All Creation**
Faith & Hope in the time of trouble
A Psalm – accompanied by music on stringed instruments

Habakkuk's Prayer Psalm

1 A prayer of Habakkuk the prophet, on Shigionoth.

2 O Yahweh (Lord), I have heard Your speech and was afraid; O Yahweh (Lord), revive Your work in the midst of the years! In the midst of the years make it known; In wrath remember mercy.

Revelation of Yahweh

3 Elowah (God) came from Teman, The Holy One from Mount Paran. Selah

His glory covered the heavens, And the earth was full of His praise.

4 His brightness was like the light; He had rays flashing from His hand, And there His power was hidden.

Yahweh's Response to wickedness

5 Before Him went pestilence, And fever followed at His feet.

6 He stood and measured the earth; He looked and startled the nations. And the everlasting mountains were scattered, The perpetual hills bowed. His ways are everlasting.

7 I saw the tents of Cushan in affliction; The curtains of the land of Midian trembled.

8 O Yahweh (Lord), were You displeased with the rivers, Was Your anger against the rivers, Was Your wrath against the sea, That You rode on Your horses, Your chariots of salvation?

9 Your bow was made quite ready; Oaths were sworn over Your arrows. Selah
You divided the earth with rivers.

10 The mountains saw You and trembled; The overflowing of the water passed by. The deep uttered its voice, And lifted its hands on high.

11 The sun and moon stood still in their habitation; At the light of Your arrows they went, At the shining of Your glittering spear.

12 You marched through the land in indignation; You trampled the nations in anger.

13 You went forth for the salvation of Your people, For salvation with Your Anointed. You struck the head from the house of the wicked, By laying bare from foundation to neck. Selah

14 You thrust through with his own arrows The head of his villages. They came out like a whirlwind to scatter me; Their rejoicing was like feasting on the poor in secret.

15 You walked through the sea with Your horses, Through the heap of great waters.

16 When I heard, my body trembled; My lips quivered at the voice; Rottenness entered my bones; And I trembled in myself, That I might rest in the day of trouble. When he comes up to the people, He will invade them with his troops.

A Hymn of Faith

17 Though the fig tree may not blossom, Nor fruit be on the vines; Though the labor of the olive may fail, And the fields yield no food; Though the flock may be cut off from the fold, And there be no

herd in the stalls —

18 Yet I will rejoice in Yahweh (the Lord), I will joy in Elohey (the God) of my salvation.

19 Adoney Yahweh (The Lord God) is my strength; He will make my feet like deer's feet, And He will make me walk on my high hills.

To the Chief Musician. With my stringed instruments.

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Facts Revealed:

- ✧ Habakkuk had prayed about the wickedness all around him and asked Yahweh why his prayers were not getting through. [Habakkuk 1:1-4]
- ✧ Yahweh had answered that He is **bringing up the Chaldeans** (Babylonians) to punish the wickedness of Judah with a description of their fierceness. [Habakkuk 1:5-11]
- ✧ Habakkuk asked why Yahweh allows a wicked nation to prosper since God is too Holy to look upon wickedness and that the wicked are appointed for judgment. Habakkuk said he would wait for the answer and weigh what he should respond when he is corrected. [Habakkuk 1:12 through 2:1]
- ✧ Yahweh answered that He has an **appointed time** when He will take action against evil in the end and then described the wickedness He will be judging.
The proud will be judged.
The Just shall live by Faith.
Idolatry will be shown as total foolishness. [Habakkuk 2:2-19]:
- ✧ **In the midst of pronouncing woes against the wicked, Yahweh remembers His ultimate purpose of the Kingdom Age and His Glory.** [Habakkuk 2:14]
- ✧ Concluding with the statement, "**Yahweh is in His Holy Temple – Let all the earth keep silent before Him.**" [Habakkuk 2:20]
There is nothing left for man to say.

Habakkuk's Prayer Psalm [Habakkuk 3:1-19]

Habakkuk's response is with music in Psalm.

- ✧ Habakkuk acknowledged he has heard the words of Yahweh with fear.
O Yahweh, Revive Your work in the midst of the years.
In Wrath, remember Mercy. [Habakkuk 3:1-2]

Revelation of Yahweh and His Judgment

- ✧ Yahweh is shown as coming from the east from the land of Teman the mountain of Paran which is in the land of Edom.
His glory covered the heavens.
The earth was full of His praise.
His brightness was like light with rays flashing from His hand.
His power was hidden. [Habakkuk 3:3-4]

Yahweh's Response to wickedness

- ✧ Judgment of His wrath is accompanied with pestilence and fever.
He measured the earth for judgment.
The everlasting mountains were scattered, the hills bowed, His ways are everlasting.
Cushan and Midian trembled at His presence. [Habakkuk 3:5-7]
- ✧ All Creation, rivers, sea, mountains, Sun, & Moon, respond with trembling at the presence of Yahweh as He judges the nations and saves His people. [Habakkuk 3:8-15]
- ✧ Yahweh knows how to bring the wicked under punishment and at the same time preserve the righteous out of the path of His wrath. [2 Peter 2:9]

✧ Habakkuk heard Yahweh's words and his body trembled and his lips quivered, yet he hoped to rest in the day of trouble. Yahweh will come and invade the land with His Troops (the Chaldeans). [\[Habakkuk 1:5-11, 3:16\]](#)

A Hymn of Faith [\[Habakkuk 3:17-19\]](#)

✧ Though the fig tree may not blossom, Nor fruit be on the vines; Though the labor of the olive may fail, And the fields yield no food; Though the flock may be cut off from the fold, And there be no herd in the stalls —
Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation.

The Lord God is my strength; He will make my feet like deer's feet, And He will make me walk on my high hills.

To the Chief Musician. With my stringed instruments. [\[Habakkuk 3:17-19\]](#)

✧ When everything looks bleak, Habakkuk acknowledged that we can still rejoice in Yahweh and joy in Elohey of our Salvation.

✧ Adoney Yahweh is our strength. He will give us the ability to walk on the high hills like a deer.

✧ The last note is instruction to the Chief Musician with stringed instruments.