

Series: Habakkuk – Hard Thoughts Of God

Message: Faith's Crisis

Scripture: Habakkuk 1:1-11

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Habakkuk 1:1-11 (ESV)

1 *The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw.*

2 *O LORD, how long shall I cry for help,
and you will not hear?*

*Or cry to you "Violence!"
and you will not save?*

3 *Why do you make me see iniquity,
and why do you idly look at wrong?*

*Destruction and violence are before me;
strife and contention arise.*

4 *So the law is paralyzed,
and justice never goes forth.*

*For the wicked surround the righteous;
so justice goes forth perverted.*

5 *"Look among the nations, and see;
wonder and be astounded.*

*For I am doing a work in your days
that you would not believe if told.*

6 *For behold, I am raising up the Chaldeans,
that bitter and hasty nation,
who march through the breadth of the earth,
to seize dwellings not their own.*

7 *They are dreaded and fearsome;
their justice and dignity go forth from themselves.*

8 *Their horses are swifter than leopards,
more fierce than the evening wolves;
their horsemen press proudly on.*

*Their horsemen come from afar;
they fly like an eagle swift to devour.*

9 *They all come for violence,
all their faces forward.
They gather captives like sand.*

10 *At kings they scoff,
and at rulers they laugh.
They laugh at every fortress,
for they pile up earth and take it.*

11 *Then they sweep by like the wind and go on,
guilty men, whose own might is their god!"*

1. Habakkuk's Agonized Question vs.1:2-4

a. Habakkuk's Circumstances vs.1:2-4

b. Habakkuk's God vs.1:2-3

2. God's Astonishing Answer vs.1:5-11

a. His ways are mysterious vs.1:5-6

b. His purposes are good

1) His redemption is certain vs.1:11; 2:14; 3:13

2) His heart is tender vs.1:1; 2:2, 4