

Habakkuk

The Prophet Who Questioned God

Week 1

- The Background
- The Date
- The Prophet

I. Habakkuk's Questions and God's Answers

1:2-2:20

Superscription

1:1

A. First Question: *How can God disregard Judah's sin?*

1:2-4

- Why doesn't God hear? (2)
- Why doesn't God respond? (3)
- Conclusion: the law is paralyzed. (4)

B. First Answer: *God will judge Judah.*

1:5-11

- God will respond to their sin. (5)
- God will use a surprising tool. (6)
- Chaldeans are a wicked people. (7-11)

➤ They are_____ruled. (7)

➤ They are_____in battle. (8)

➤ They are_____. (9)

➤ They are_____. (10)

➤ They are_____. (11)

*Because of violence to your brother Jacob, You will be covered with shame,
And you will be cut off forever. Obadiah 10 LSB*

"Behold, I am against you," declares Yahweh of hosts.

"And I will burn up her chariots in smoke, and a sword will devour your young lions; and I will cut off your prey from the land, and no longer will the voice of your messengers be heard." Nahum 2:13 LSB

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Week 1 Some Practical Principles

1. God always hears our prayers when we cry out to Him.
2. God sees every sin long before we do.
3. God judges and will judge every sin ever committed in the history of creation.
4. Man's administration of justice may be perverted, but God's is perfect.
5. We may not see it or think it, but God is always working out His program.
6. God has and will use wicked people/nations as tools of judgment.
7. God's covenant promises are still in force and He will faithfully fulfill them all.
8. In a world of sin and chaos God knows those who belong to Him.
9. If your faith is in Jesus Christ you can rest in the loving power of your Savior who will bring you safely into His presence no matter what trials or suffering you go through in this life or how twisted, perverted and sinful this world becomes.

"Only the Hebrews, so far as we know, made covenants with their Gods or God."

*W.F. Albright, (1891-1971) father of American archaeology
Johns Hopkins University.*

And Yahweh said to Abram, "Go forth from your land, and from your kin and from your father's house, to the land which I will show you; and I will make you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great; and so you shall be a blessing; and I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse.

And in you all the families of the earth will be blessed."

Genesis 12:1-3 LSB