



## HABAKKUK: WHY, GOD?

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FOCUS	COMPLAINT	VISION	SONG
	Confused Faith	Waiting Faith	Triumphant Faith
KEY VERSE	1:2	2:4	3:19

*The righteous shall live by his faith. HABAKKUK 2:4 ESV*

“Habakkuk stands in a long line of godly people who dared to question God.” *THE NEW AMERICAN COMMENTARY*

### Questioning the Almighty

*O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not hear? Or cry to you “Violence!” and you will not save? 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. So the law is paralyzed, and justice never goes forth. For the wicked surround the righteous; so justice goes forth perverted.*

HABAKKUK 1:2-4 ESV

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## The Righteous Shall Live by Faith

*And the Lord answered me: "Write the vision; make it plain on tablets, so he may run who reads it. For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end—it will not lie. If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay. Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him, but the righteous shall live by his faith."* HABAKKUK 2:2-4 ESV

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## Deeper Faith and a Higher Place

*A prayer of Habakkuk the prophet. On shigionoth. Lord, I have heard of your fame; I stand in awe of your deeds, Lord. Repeat them in our day, in our time make them known; in wrath remember mercy.* HABAKKUK 3:1-2 NIV

*Though 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, yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will be joyful in God my Savior. The Sovereign Lord is my strength; he makes my feet like the feet of a deer, he enables me to tread on the heights.* HABAKKUK 3:17-19 NIV

Habakkuk learned that even though his \_\_\_\_\_ did not live up to his \_\_\_\_\_, he could still trust in the Lord and find joy.