

**WHEN GOD WILL:**

- DEFEAT EVIL
- BRING JUSTICE TO ALL
- RESCUE THE OPPRESSED

**A PAST EXODUS** BECOMES AN **IMAGE OF A FUTURE EXODUS**

**GOD'S ANSWER TO Habakkuk's Later Generations**

# HABAKKUK

**NOT UNIQUE! MOST NATIONS EVENTUALLY BECOME BABYLON...**

**WIKEN OF BABYLON**

• DOESN'T ACCUSE ISRAEL

• ADDRESSES GOD WITH HIS STRUGGLE: IS GOD GOOD WHEN THERE'S SO MUCH EVIL IN THE WORLD?

**LAMENT:** DRAWING GOD'S ATTENTION TO INJUSTICE

**INJUSTICE & IDOLATRY**

**FINAL DECADES of ISRAEL'S SOUTHERN KINGDOM**

## 1-2a HABAKKUK & GOD

**1:2-1** COMPLAINT #1

HOW LONG WILL I CRY OUT? WHY DON'T YOU LISTEN? (1:2)

**TORAH NEGLECTED**

**VIOLENCE & INJUSTICE**

**CORRUPT LEADERSHIP**

**1:9-11** RESPONSE #1

**LOOK!** I'M RAISING UP THE BABYLONIANS.

**VISION ABOUT AN APPROPRIATE TIME**

**1:2-3** COMPLAINT #2

**WHAT?!** BABYLON IS EVEN WORSE THAN ISRAEL!

THEY BURY THEIR PEOPLE, THEY TREAT HUMANS LIKE ANIMALS, THEY DEVOUR THEIR NATIONS.

I'LL STAND BENCH & WAIT FOR GOD TO RESPOND TO ME. (1:3)

**2:1b** FIVE WOES

THE OPPRESSIVE INJUSTICE OF BABYLON

1) UNJUST ECONOMICS

2) SLAVE LABOR

3) IRRESPONSIBLE LEADERS

4) IDOLATRY

**Righteous will LIVE BY THEIR Faith**

## 3 HABAKKUK'S PRAYER

**3:1-2** HABAKKUK PLEAS WITH GOD

REHEAR YOUR LOOKS IN OUR DASH! (3:1)

**YOU SAVE YOUR PEOPLE AND YOUR ANNOYED ONE.** (3:2)

**3:5-7** GOD APPEARS IN POWER!

SIMILAR TO MICHAEL & NAHUM 1... & TO MT. SINAI (EXODUS 19:20)

**YOU CRUSH THE HEAD OF THE EVIL HOUSE.** (3:7)

**ARCHETYPE OF EVIL NATIONS**

**3:9-19** THE NEW EXODUS

EVEN IF THE FIELDS PRODUCE NO FOOD, I WILL FIND JOY IN GOD MY SAVIOR. (3:17-18)

**SHINING EXAMPLE OF THE Righteous LIVING BY Faith**