



Series: The Minor Prophets

**Lesson: 37. Habakkuk, pt. 3 – “...Yet I
Will Exult in YHWH”**

Passage: Hab. 3

- Habakkuk’s _____ (vv1–2)
 - Habakkuk’s response to hearing from God is _____.
 - He had an encounter with the holy Creator.
 - He saw a pronouncement of His judgment.
 - He was faced with how much higher His ways are than our ways.
 - He asks God to work as He has in the past.
 - The vision that follows is really a blend of past and future.
 - The Bible recounts how much God has worked in the past in order to remind us that He is the _____.
 - He asks for _____.
 - This is a prayer for deliverance amid the ultimate judgment of nations.
 - He also knows Israel deserves judgment but prays that God would not give them all they deserve.

- **God's Terrifying _____ (vv3–7)**

- First, there is a progression from God's glory to His _____ power.
 - His power is exercised in judgment *because of* His holiness!
- Next, there is a progression from His power to the terror of the nations.
 - When He comes down to judge, no nation can ignore Him.

*Rev. 6:12–17 –I looked when He broke the sixth seal, and there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth made of hair, and the whole moon became like blood; ¹³and the stars of the sky fell to the earth, as a fig tree casts its unripe figs when shaken by a great wind. ¹⁴The sky was split apart like a scroll when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island were moved out of their places. ¹⁵Then the kings of the earth and the great men and the commanders and the rich and the strong and every slave and free man hid themselves in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains; ¹⁶and they *said to the mountains and to the rocks, “Fall on us and hide us from the presence of Him who sits on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb; ¹⁷for the great day of their wrath has come, and who is able to stand?”*

- **God's Sovereign _____ (vv8–15)**

- All of _____ is affected by God's judgment of the sinful people in it, all the way to the heavens (cf. Josh. 10:12–13).
- God's judgments *ultimately* work out for the salvation of His people.

- **Habakkuk's _____ in the Face of Suffering (vv16–19)**
 - Habakkuk addresses his response to not just this vision, but his whole encounter with God.
 - He is floored by multiple realities he has just seen/heard:
 - A terrifying vision of his Creator coming to judge his enemies
 - The reality that Israel was going to be judged too
 - The truth that his faithfulness wasn't going to save him from the painful circumstances
 - The fact that all he can do now is wait for it to happen
 - There will be escalating economic disasters from invasion, YET he will find joy in God.
 - He gets the main point of God's message: It's NOT about _____!
 - His faithfulness will not save him from earthly disasters, BUT it is the guarantee that he will inherit life that will outweigh them.
 - Because of that life, God will _____ him to face anything.

What Do We Do with This Text?

1. Remember that God does not _____ evil.
2. Remember that God will give us the _____ to face all circumstances.

Blanks: Prayer, fear, same, mercy, Presence, destructive, Judgment, nature, Joy, circumstances, strengthen, ignore, strength