

Habakkuk, PROPHET OF FAITH
THE PROPHET'S FAITH
(Habakkuk 3:1-19)

- I. Habakkuk's PLEA (Hab. 3:1-2)
 - A. He affirms that he's been LISTENING to what God SAID
 - B. He confesses his FEAR of what is coming
 - C. He declares his TRUST
 - D. He asks that God would temper His WRATH with MERCY

- II. Habakkuk's Praise of God's MAJESTY (Hab. 3:3-4)
 - A. His SPLENDOR covers the HEAVENS
 - B. His PRAISES fill the EARTH
 - C. His RADIANCE is too brilliant to behold DIRECTLY

- III. Habakkuk's Praise of God's POWER (Hab. 3:5-15)
 - A. He CONTROLS the EARTH (3:5-7)
 - 1. He uses PESTILENCE and PLAGUE for His glory
 - 2. All the EARTH is His to CONTROL
 - 3. Earth's INHABITANTS are His to COMMAND

- C. He acts in POWER against those who OPPOSE Him (3:8-15)
 - 1. He can cause RIVERS and SEAS to RETREAT
 - 2. He can use the ELEMENTS as a WEAPON
 - 3. He controls the SUN and the MOON
 - 4. He intervenes in DEFENSE of His PEOPLE
 - 5. He will vindicate CHRIST and destroy SATAN once and for all
 - 6. He will DESTROY Israel's ENEMIES in a FINAL confrontation

IV. Habakkuk's Affirmation of FAITH (Hab. 3:16-19)

- A. He's OVERWHELMED by knowledge of the coming Chaldean INVASION
 - 1. Nothing will CHANGE in Judah
 - 2. He must "WAIT QUIETLY" for the judgment
- B. He anticipates widespread DISASTER
- C. Nevertheless, he would REJOICE in God's SALVATION
- D. He could face the nation's COLLAPSE in the STRENGTH of the Lord

V. Lesson—Security and confidence do not depend on CIRCUMSTANCES, but on the LORD HIMSELF