

WHERE ARE YOU, GOD?

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- **WHY DOESN'T GOD SEEM FAIR?**

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.

Habakkuk 1:2-3

- **Habakkuk (habaq) - "embrace" or to "wrestle."**

The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw.

Habakkuk 1:1

massa - an utterance, a doom, a burden.

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 1:3-4

HABAKKUK'S PROBLEMS WITH GOD

- 1) YOU DON'T SEEM TO CARE.
- 2) YOU AREN'T DOING MUCH WHEN YOU COULD.
- 3) WHAT YOU ARE DOING DOESN'T SEEM FAIR.

GOD'S RESPONSE

"Look among the nations and see; wonder and be astounded. For I am doing a work in your days that you would not believe if told.

Habakkuk 1:5

***Tamahh* - a sudden alarming amazement, to be astonished, to marvel.**

For behold, I am raising up the Chaldeans, that bitter and hasty nation, who march through the breadth of the earth, to seize dwellings not their own. They are dreaded and fearsome; their justice and dignity go forth from themselves. Their horses are swifter than leopards, more fierce than the evening wolves; their horsemen press proudly on. Their horsemen come from afar; they fly like an eagle swift to devour. They all come for violence...

Habakkuk 1:6-9a

- **CAN SIMULTANEOUS HAVE QUESTIONS AND FAITH.**

Are you not from everlasting, O LORD my God, my Holy One? We shall not die.

O LORD, you have ordained them as a judgment, and you, O Rock, have established them for reproof. You who are of purer eyes than to see evil and cannot look at wrong, why do

*you idly look at traitors and remain silent when the wicked swallows up the man more
righteous than he?*
Habakkuk 1:12-13