

Habakkuk # 9

“We Live by Faith”

Habakkuk 2:4; Romans 1:18-25

Negative reaction to God suppresses the truth and seeks a substitute which leads to the rise of two related arrogant expressions: heathenism and liberalism.

This substitute may be socialism, communism or some other system of philosophical materialism but it always follows the same pattern of man seeking to establish perfect environment by man’s activity.

In chapter 1, Habakkuk challenges God’s way of dealing with evil and in chapter 3, Habakkuk is on his knees in prayer; so he goes from protesting against God to joyously praising Him because he changes his perspective to God’s perspective.

It’s not sin that keeps us from God; Jesus Christ took care of the sin issue; it’s rejecting His provision for sin when there’s no other way because God did His best and offers His best to us.

The Book of Habakkuk teaches us to come to God always but it also teaches us how not to resist God when He acts in a way, we don’t understand.

Habakkuk assumes God is doing nothing because he can’t see beyond himself to observe the big picture of what God is doing.

Habakkuk learns a valuable lesson that profits anyone who receives it: Just or righteous people must walk by faith because they often cannot see the inner workings of God’s plans.

Appeals to God that result in silence from Him indicate that He’s telling us that He’s already given us all we need through His Word in us which is ready for application.

God promised us never to place us in a situation beyond our capacity to handle with His power system in 1st Corinthians 10:13; so He wants us to look to Him, our Problem-solver and not to look at our problems.

Like Habakkuk who was awaiting God’s counsel, we stand sentry duty waiting to apply God’s Words given to us in the Canon of Scripture.

So, we wait humbly and patiently by faith in God for an opportunity to use the supernatural weapon of God’s truth to face any situation in life.

Habakkuk experienced a period of silence; we experience a lifetime of silence but we have the complete mind of Christ for man to draw from.