

## A Word for America From the Prophecy of Habakkuk

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The oracle which Habakkuk the prophet saw. How long, O Lord, will I call for help, And You will not hear? I cry out to You, "Violence!" Yet You do not save. Why do You make me see iniquity, And cause me to look on wickedness? Yes, destruction and violence are before me; Strife exists and contention arises. Therefore the law is ignored and justice is never upheld For the wicked surround the righteous; Therefore justice comes out perverted.

(Habakkuk 1:1–4)

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“Look among the nations! Observe! Be astonished! Wonder! Because I am doing something in your days—You would not believe if you were told.

(Habakuuk 1:5)

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For behold, I am raising up the Chaldeans, that fierce and impetuous people. Who march throughout the earth to seize dwelling places which are not theirs. They are dreaded and feared; their justice and authority originate with themselves.

(Habakkuk 1:6–7)

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Their horses are swifter than leopards and keener than wolves in the evening. Their horsemen come galloping, their horsemen come from afar; they fly like an eagle swooping down to devour. All of them come for violence. Their horde of faces moves forward. They collect captives like sand.

(Habakkuk 1:8–9)

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They mock at kings and rulers are a laughing matter to them. They laugh at every fortress and heap up rubble to capture it. Then they will sweep through like the wind and pass on. But they will be held guilty, they whose strength is their god.”

(Habakkuk 1:10–11)

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## The Mother Prophecies

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And I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring a and hers; he will crush your head, and you will strike his heel.

(Genesis 3:15)

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Now this is the blessing with which Moses  
the man of God blessed the sons of Israel  
before his death. He said:

(Deuteronomy 33:1–2)

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“The Lord came from Sinai, and dawned on  
them from Seir; He shone forth from Mount  
Paran, and He came from the midst of ten  
thousand holy ones; at His right hand there  
was flashing lightning for them.

(Deuteronomy 33:2)

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There is no one like the God of Jeshurun,  
who rides across the heavens to help you  
and on the clouds in his majesty.

(Deuteronomy 33:26)

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Happy are you, O Israel! Who is like you, a  
people saved by the Lord, the shield of your  
help, and the sword of your triumph! Your  
enemies shall come fawning to you, and you  
shall tread upon their backs."

(Deuteronomy 33:29)

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God comes from Heaven  
In the form of a man  
Shining like the sun  
With myriads of Angels  
On the clouds  
To save His people  
To destroy His enemies

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The Glory of the Lord

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For just as the lightning comes from the east and flashes even to the west, so will the coming of the Son of Man be.

(Matthew 24:27)

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Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For behold, darkness will cover the earth and deep darkness the peoples; but the Lord will rise upon you and His glory will appear upon you.

(Isaiah 60:1–2)

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“For behold, the day is coming, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and every evildoer will be chaff; and the day that is coming will set them ablaze,” says the Lord of hosts, “so that it will leave them neither root nor branch.”

(Malachi 4:1)

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But for you who fear My name, the sun of righteousness will rise with healing in its wings; and you will go forth and skip about like calves from the stall.

(Malachi 4:2)

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## Habakkuk's Vision

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A prayer of Habakkuk the prophet,  
according to *Shigionoth*. Lord, I have heard  
the report about You and I fear. O Lord,  
revive Your work in the midst of the years, In  
the midst of the years make it known; in  
wrath remember mercy.

(Habakkuk 3:1–2)

20

God comes from Teman, and the Holy One from  
Mount Paran.

Selah.

His splendor covers the heavens, and the earth is  
full of His praise. His radiance is like the sunlight;  
He has rays flashing from His hand, and there is  
the hiding of His power.

(Habakkuk 3:3–4)

21

Before Him goes pestilence, and plague comes  
after Him. He stood and surveyed the earth; He  
looked and startled the nations. Yes, the  
perpetual mountains were shattered, the  
ancient hills collapsed. His ways are everlasting.  
I saw the tents of Cushan under distress, the  
tent curtains of the land of Midian were  
trembling.

(Habakkuk 3:5–7)

22

In indignation You marched through the earth;  
in anger You trampled the nations. You went  
forth for the salvation of Your people, for the  
salvation of Your anointed. You struck the  
head of the house of the evil to lay him open  
from thigh to neck.

Selah.

(Habakkuk 3:12–13)

23

But for you who fear My name, the sun of  
righteousness will rise with healing in its wings;  
and you will go forth and skip about like calves  
from the stall...

You will tread down the wicked, for they will  
be ashes under the soles of your feet on the  
day which I am preparing,” says the Lord of  
hosts.

(Malachi 4:2–3)

24

Our God is a God of salvation, and escape from death belongs to the Lord my Lord. Surely God crushes the heads of his enemies, the hairy brow of one who goes on in his guilty acts. The Lord said, “I will bring them back from Bashan; I will bring them back from the depths of the sea so that your foot may wade in blood and your dogs’ tongues may have their share from the enemies.”

(Psalm 68:20–23)

25

I heard and my inward parts trembled, at the sound my lips quivered. Decay enters my bones, and in my place I tremble. Because I must wait quietly for the day of distress, for the people to arise who will invade us.

(Habakkuk 3:16)

26

Though the fig tree should not blossom and there be no fruit on the vines, though the yield of the olive should fail and the fields produce no food, though the flock should be cut off from the fold and there be no cattle in the stalls, Yet I will exult in the Lord, I will rejoice in the God of my salvation. The Lord God is my strength, and He has made my feet like hinds' feet, and makes me walk on my high places.

For the choir director, on my stringed instruments.

(Habakkuk 3:17–19)

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*The God of peace will soon crush Satan under your feet.* The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you.

(Romans 16:20)

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