

FOR YOUR PROPHET

# THE BOOK OF HABAKKUK

## THE VALUE OF HONEST DOUBTS



These are all warning markers--DANGER!--in our history books, written down so that we don't repeat their mistakes. 1 Corinthians 10:11 - Message

### LEARNING TO GROW THROUGH DOUBT LIKE HABAKKUK

#### ➤ WHEN I'M DOUBTING GOD ...

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LORD, how long do I have to call out for help? Why don't you listen to me? How long must I keep telling you that things are terrible? Why don't you save us? <sup>3</sup> Why do you make me watch while people treat others so unfairly? Why do you put up with the wrong things they are doing? I have to look at death. People are harming others. They are arguing and fighting all the time. <sup>4</sup> The law can't do what it's supposed to do. Fairness never comes out on top. Sinful people surround those who do what is right. So people are never treated fairly. **Habakkuk 1:2-4** (NirV)

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<sup>5</sup> "Look at the nations and watch— and be utterly amazed. For I am going to do something in your days that you would not believe, even if you were told. <sup>6</sup> I am raising up the Babylonians, that ruthless and impetuous people, who sweep across the whole earth to seize dwellings not their own. **Habakkuk 1:5-6** (NIV)

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<sup>12</sup> LORD, are you not from everlasting? My God, my Holy One, you will never die. You, LORD, have appointed them to execute judgment; you, my Rock, have ordained them to punish. <sup>13</sup> Your eyes are too pure to look on evil; you cannot tolerate wrongdoing. Why then do you tolerate the treacherous? Why are you silent while the wicked swallow up those more righteous than themselves? <sup>14</sup> You have made people like the fish in the sea, like the sea creatures that have no ruler. <sup>15</sup> The wicked foe pulls all of them up with hooks, he catches them in his net, he gathers them up in his dragnet; and so he rejoices and is glad. <sup>16</sup> Therefore he sacrifices to his net and burns incense to his dragnet, for by his net he lives in luxury and enjoys the choicest food. <sup>17</sup> Is he to keep on emptying his net, destroying nations without mercy? I will stand at my watch and station myself on the ramparts; I will look to see what he will say to me, and what answer I am to give to this complaint. **Habakkuk 1:12-2:1** (NIV)

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<sup>4</sup> "See, the enemy is puffed up; his desires are not upright— but the righteous person will live by his faithfulness <sup>x</sup>— <sup>5</sup> indeed, wine betrays him; he is arrogant and never at rest. Because he is as greedy as the grave and like death is never satisfied, he gathers to himself all the nations and takes captive all the peoples. <sup>6</sup> "Will not all of them taunt him with ridicule and scorn, saying, 'Woe to him who piles up stolen goods and makes himself wealthy by extortion! How long must this go on?' <sup>7</sup> Will not your creditors suddenly arise? Will they not wake up and make you tremble? Then you will become their prey. <sup>8</sup> Because you have plundered many nations, the peoples who are left will plunder you. For you have shed human blood; you have destroyed lands and cities and everyone in them. **Habakkuk 2:4-8** (NIV)

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<sup>16</sup> I heard and my heart pounded, my lips quivered at the sound; decay crept into my bones, and my legs trembled.

Yet I will wait patiently for the day of calamity to come on the nation invading us. <sup>17</sup> Though the fig tree does not bud and there are no grapes on the vines, though the olive crop fails and the fields produce no food, though there are no sheep in the pen and no cattle in the stalls, <sup>18</sup> yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will be joyful in God my Savior. <sup>19</sup> The Sovereign LORD is my strength; he makes my feet like the feet of a deer, he enables me to tread on the heights. **Habakkuk 3:16-19** (NIV)