

Trusting God

even when it's really, really tough

The Prophecy of Habakkuk

Ps 142:1-2 “With my voice I cry out to the Lord; with my voice I plead for mercy to the Lord. I pour out my complaint before him; I tell my trouble before him.”

Matthew 7:7-11 “Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives, and the one who seeks finds, and to the one who knocks it will be opened.”

“Or which one of you, if his son asks him for bread, will give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will give him a serpent? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give good things to those who ask him!”

John 15:7 “If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you.”

1 John 3:21-23 “Beloved, if our heart does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us.”

V5 “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.”



V6 “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.”

Isaiah 40 “Surely the nations are like a drop in the bucket; they are regarded as dust on the scales Before him all the nations are as nothing; they are regarded by him as worthless and less than nothing He sits enthroned above the circle of the earth, and its people are like grasshoppers He brings princes to naught and reduces the rulers of this world to nothing.”

V7-11 "They are dreaded and fearsome; their justice and dignity go forth from themselves. 8 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. 9 They all come for violence, all their faces forward. They gather captives like sand. 10 At kings they scoff, and at rulers they laugh. They laugh at every fortress, for they pile up earth and take it. 11 Then they sweep by like the wind and go on, guilty men, whose own might is their god!"

John 5:44 “How can you believe, when you receive glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the only God?”

3 Lessons

1. We can only see a part of the picture!
2. God isn't limited to what we think He ought to do
3. We need a bigger God!

V12 “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.”