

When It Seems Like God Doesn't Care
Habakkuk 1:2-4

Main Point:

There are many evils in life and God may not seem to care, but always remain firm in your commitment to prayer.

1. You are confronted with many evils in life.
2. These evils are likely troubling to you personally.
3. They may even seem to be ignored or tolerated by God.
4. Nevertheless, always remain firm in your commitment to prayer.

Jeremiah 22:17 17 "... Your eyes and your heart are for nothing but your covetousness, For shedding innocent blood, And practicing oppression and violence." (NKJV)

David Mackay "In Judah God's standards were not being set out by those who had been entrusted with them, and so they were not permeating the life of the community at every level."

Psalms 13:1 1 How long, O LORD? Will You forget me forever? How long will You hide Your face from me? (NKJV)

Psalms 44:23 23 Awake! Why do You sleep, O Lord? Arise! Do not cast us off forever. (NKJV)

Rodger Crooks "The fabric of society was unraveling and what made matters worse was that it was God's people who were breaking the law. The moral dimension of God's covenant was shelved."

Habakkuk 1:3 3 Why do you make me look at injustice? Why do you tolerate wrongdoing? ... (NIV)

John Currid "In these early verses of the book, the prophet is confronted with the question of theodicy - namely, the ostensible lethargy of God in the light of present evil."

Walter Chantry "Habakkuk was right to take the national evils before the throne of God. Too many trust in princes and seek aid from men. They expect political appeals and protests to bring reformation. Habakkuk took his protest into the courts of the Sovereign over all the earth."

David Mackay "Habakkuk's prayers had not been answered, but he kept on coming to God because he knew that the answer to what was happening in his day could only come from him."

Habakkuk 2:4 4 "Behold the proud, His soul is not upright in him; But the just shall live by his faith. (NKJV)