

Fear the LORD Above All **Habakkuk 3:1-15**

Main Point:

Rather than man or your circumstances, fear the LORD above all.

1. The LORD is to be feared above all.

2. The LORD is to be feared above all because He is the Glorious Sovereign.

3. The LORD is to be feared above all because He is the Almighty Warrior.

4. The LORD is to be feared above all because He is the Merciful Savior.

John Currid “After all is said and done - after all the questions have been asked - there comes a point at which mankind must acknowledge that God is God.”

Habakkuk 3:2 2 O LORD, I have heard the report of you, and your work, O LORD, do I fear ... (ESV)

Matthew 10:28 28 And do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. But rather fear Him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell. (NKJV)

William Gurnall “We fear men so much because we fear God so little.”

Exodus 33:18, 20 18 And he said, “Please, show me Your glory.” ... 20 But He said, “You cannot see My face; for no man shall see Me, and live.” (NKJV)

John Currid “The ... text pictures no conflict between Yahweh and the elements of nature; they are all under his rule and authority.”

Psalms 46:1-2 1 God is our refuge and strength, A very present help in trouble. 2 Therefore we will not fear, Even though the earth be removed, And though the mountains be carried into the midst of the sea; (NKJV)

Habakkuk 1:6 6 For indeed I am raising up the Chaldeans, A bitter and hasty nation Which marches through the breadth of the earth, To possess dwelling places *that are* not theirs. (NKJV)

Deuteronomy 11:25 25 No man shall be able to stand against you; the LORD your God will put the dread of you and the fear of you upon all the land where you tread, just as He has said to you. (NKJV)

John Mackay “By looking back to the display of God’s power at the Exodus, Habakkuk was encouraged as to what divine intervention would mean in his own day and circumstances.”

John Currid “It was, indeed, in these areas that God revealed himself to Moses, entered into covenant with Israel and, by his great power, brought the people into the land of promise ... Habakkuk is recalling God’s mighty acts of the past when he called Israel to be his own ...”

Luke 4:18 18 “The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, Because He has anointed Me ... (NKJV)

Genesis 3:15 15 And I will put enmity Between you and the woman, And between your seed and her Seed; He shall bruise your head, And you shall bruise His heel.” (NKJV)

Numbers 14:19 19 Pardon the iniquity of this people, I pray, according to the greatness of Your mercy, just as You have forgiven this people, from Egypt even until now.” (NKJV)