

The Day of Judgment and Deliverance

Habakkuk 2:5-20

Main Point:

Knowing the day of God's judgment and deliverance is sure to come, wait patiently and joyously for it.

1. The world is full of wickedness, like the Babylonians.
2. While the wicked may seem to prosper, God will judge them accordingly.
3. On the day of judgment, God will also deliver His people from their enemies.
4. Therefore, wait patiently and joyously for that day, knowing it is sure to come.

Galatians 1:3-4 3 Grace to you and peace from God the Father and our Lord Jesus Christ, 4 who gave Himself for our sins, that He might deliver us from this present evil age ... (NKJV)

John Mackay "It was a very vivid way of pressing home how reprehensible their conduct was in the sight of God. They were already as good as dead because God had given his verdict against them."

Revelation 14:10 10 He himself shall also drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out full strength into the cup of His indignation. He shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb. (NKJV)

John Mackay "These woes are a warning to all who are like the Babylonians in their conduct ... Rebellion against God is not just a matter of ancient history. It still characterizes the human race, and the consequences of it remain what they have always been."

2 Chronicles 36:22-23 22 Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah might be fulfilled, the LORD stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, so that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and also *put it in writing*, saying, 23 Thus says Cyrus king of Persia: All the kingdoms of the earth the LORD God of heaven has given me. And He has commanded me to build Him a house at Jerusalem which is in Judah. Who *is* among you of all His people? May the LORD his God *be* with him, and let him go up! (NKJV)

2 Peter 3:13 13 Nevertheless we, according to His promise, look for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. (NKJV)

John 18:11 11 So Jesus said to Peter, "Put your sword into the sheath. Shall I not drink the cup which My Father has given Me?" (NKJV)

2 Peter 3:8-9 8 But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day *is* as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. 9 The Lord is not slack concerning *His* promise ... (NKJV)

Revelation 21:27; 22:3-4 27 But there shall by no means enter it anything that defiles, or causes an abomination or a lie, but only those who are written in the Lamb's Book of Life ... 3 And there shall be no more curse, but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it, and His servants shall serve Him. 4 They shall see His face ... (NKJV)