

**A Prophet Perplexed Over God's Plan  
"I Am Listening, Lord" – Part 2  
(Habakkuk 2:6-20)**

**Introduction**

**Thesis:** I want you to consider with me one lesson about pride and, then, its cure so that you might remain faithful to your God.

I. The Lesson about Pride:

A. Stanza One (vv. 6-8):

B. Stanza Two (vv. 9-11):

C. Stanza Three (vv. 12-14):

D. Stanza Four (vv. 15-17):

E. Stanza Five (vv. 18-20):

II. Application: The Cure for Pride:

A. By \_\_\_\_\_ the God of the Bible.

B. By \_\_\_\_\_ yourself to the God of the Bible.

## **Conclusion**

### **Luke 12:16-21**

<sup>16</sup> And He told them a parable, saying, "The land of a rich man was very productive. <sup>17</sup> And he began reasoning to himself, saying, 'What shall I do, since I have no place to store my crops?' <sup>18</sup> Then he said, 'This is what I will do: I will tear down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. <sup>19</sup> And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years *to come*; take your ease, eat, drink *and* be merry.'" <sup>20</sup> But God said to him, 'You fool! This *very* night your soul is required of you; and *now* who will own what you have prepared?' <sup>21</sup> So is the man who stores up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

### **Proverbs 16:5, 18**

<sup>5</sup> Everyone who is proud in heart is an abomination to the LORD;  
Assuredly, he will not be unpunished.

<sup>18</sup> Pride goes before destruction,  
And a haughty spirit before stumbling.

### **Jeremiah 17:10-11**

<sup>10</sup> "I, the LORD, search the heart,  
I test the mind,  
Even to give to each man according to his ways,  
According to the results of his deeds.

<sup>11</sup> "As a partridge that hatches eggs which it has not laid,  
So is he who makes a fortune, but unjustly;  
In the midst of his days it will forsake him,  
And in the end he will be a fool."

### **Isaiah 14:12-15**

<sup>12</sup> "How you have fallen from heaven,  
O star of the morning, son of the dawn!  
You have been cut down to the earth,  
You who have weakened the nations!

<sup>13</sup> "But you said in your heart,  
'I will ascend to heaven;  
I will raise my throne above the stars of God,  
And I will sit on the mount of assembly  
In the recesses of the north.

<sup>14</sup> 'I will ascend above the heights of the clouds;  
I will make myself like the Most High.'

<sup>15</sup> "Nevertheless you will be thrust down to Sheol,  
To the recesses of the pit.

### **1 Corinthians 10:12**

<sup>12</sup> Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed that he does not fall.

### **Romans 1:16-17**

<sup>16</sup> For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. <sup>17</sup> For in it *the* righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, "BUT THE RIGHTEOUS *man* SHALL LIVE BY FAITH."

### **Hebrews 10: 38-39**

<sup>38</sup> BUT MY RIGHTEOUS ONE SHALL LIVE BY FAITH;  
AND IF HE SHRINKS BACK, MY SOUL HAS NO PLEASURE IN HIM.

<sup>39</sup> But we are not of those who shrink back to destruction, but of those who have faith to the preserving of the soul.

### **Psalms 46:1, 10**

<sup>1</sup> God is our refuge and strength,  
A very present help in trouble.

<sup>10</sup> "Cease *striving* and know that I am God;  
I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

### **James 4:6-8**

<sup>6</sup> But He gives a greater grace. Therefore *it* says, "GOD IS OPPOSED TO THE PROUD, BUT GIVES GRACE TO THE HUMBLE." <sup>7</sup> Submit therefore to God. Resist the devil and he will flee from you. <sup>8</sup> Draw near to God and He will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners; and purify your hearts, you double-minded.