

**A Prophet Perplexed Over God's Plan
"I Will Honor You, Lord" – Part 1
(Habakkuk 3:1-2)**

Introduction

Thesis: I want you to consider with me three important elements of prayer and trust that God will use it to strengthen your heart before Him in these days (we will look at the first two today).

I. Pray out of a _____ of God (vs. 2a).

II. Pray for the _____ of God (vs. 2b).

Conclusion

Text: Habakkuk 3:1-2

¹ A prayer of Habakkuk the prophet, according to Shigionoth.

² LORD, I have heard the report about You *and* I fear.

O LORD, revive Your work in the midst of the years,

In the midst of the years make it known;

In wrath remember mercy.

Related Texts:

Psalm 46:10

¹⁰ "Cease *striving* and know that I am God;

I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

Proverbs 3:7

⁷ Do not be wise in your own eyes;

Fear the LORD and turn away from evil.

Psalm 66:18

¹⁸ If I regard wickedness in my heart,

The Lord will not hear;

1 Peter 1:14-17

¹⁴ As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former lusts *which were yours* in your ignorance, ¹⁵ but like the Holy One who called you, be holy yourselves also in all *your* behavior; ¹⁶ because it is written, "YOU SHALL BE HOLY, FOR I AM HOLY."

¹⁷ If you address as Father the One who impartially judges according to each one's work, conduct yourselves in fear during the time of your stay *on earth*;

Proverbs 14:26

²⁶ In the fear of the LORD there is strong confidence,

And his children will have refuge.

Psalm 115:11

¹¹ You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD;

He is their help and their shield.

Proverbs 14:2

² He who walks in his uprightness fears the LORD, But he who is devious in his ways despises Him.

Psalm 37:4-5

⁴ Delight yourself in the LORD;

And He will give you the desires of your heart.

⁵ Commit your way to the LORD,

Trust also in Him, and He will do it.

1 John 5:14-15

¹⁴ This is the confidence which we have before Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. ¹⁵ And if we know that He hears us *in* whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests which we have asked from Him.

Deuteronomy 32:4

⁴ "The Rock! His work is perfect,

For all His ways are just;

A God of faithfulness and without injustice,

Righteous and upright is He.

Psalm 103:6-11

⁶ The LORD performs righteous deeds
And judgments for all who are oppressed.

⁷ He made known His ways to Moses,
His acts to the sons of Israel.

⁸ The LORD is compassionate and gracious,
Slow to anger and abounding in lovingkindness.

⁹ He will not always strive *with us*,
Nor will He keep *His anger* forever.

¹⁰ He has not dealt with us according to our sins,
Nor rewarded us according to our iniquities.

¹¹ For as high as the heavens are above the earth,
So great is His lovingkindness toward those who fear Him.

Deuteronomy 4:31

³¹ For the LORD your God is a compassionate God; He will not fail you nor destroy you nor forget the covenant with your fathers which He swore to them.

Lamentations 3:20-24

²⁰ Surely my soul remembers
And is bowed down within me.

²¹ This I recall to my mind,
Therefore I have hope.

²² The LORD'S lovingkindnesses indeed never cease,
For His compassions never fail.

²³ *They* are new every morning;
Great is Your faithfulness.

²⁴ "The LORD is my portion," says my soul,
"Therefore I have hope in Him."