

Monthly Prayer Letter – April 2022

Though the fig tree should not blossom, nor fruit be on the vines... *yet* I will rejoice in the LORD; I will take joy in the God of my salvation.

Habakkuk 3:17-18

Are you or anyone you know facing challenges, crises or dead ends in life? Habakkuk was when he wrote these verses – God revealed to Habakkuk that the Babylonians would invade Judah because of the sins of God’s people.

Despite the impending certainty of judgment by invasion and despite having NOT tasted any deliverance... NOR any answers to prayers... NOR receiving any blessings from God, Habakkuk wrote very clearly and decisively that **he trusts God knows best** and will bring about justiceⁱ. Moreover, instead of complaining to God, telling God what to do, and being angry with God, Habakkuk wrote that **he will rejoice and he is joyful because the LORD is his God and is his source of joy** and NOT circumstances!

Would you, like Habakkuk, *believe* that God knows best?

Would you *be willing* to trust God despite your circumstances?

Would you choose this day to *renew your mind* that the LORD your God *is* the source of your joy and hence, *refuse* to allow circumstances or people in your life to dictate whether you are joyful or not?

Take all these to the Lord in prayer.

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Prayer Guide

Pray in the light of **Habakkuk 3:17-18** for the following:

Week 1: Your Relationship *with God*

Week 2: Your Relationship *with Family & Friends*

Week 3: Your Relationship *with the Church*

Week 4: Your Relationship *with the World*

ⁱ The English Standard Version Study Bible (Wheaton, Illinois: Crossway Bibles, 2008) – under Habakkuk 3:17-19 notes, page 1727.