



Revival Prayers for the Island

Praying the Bible

Prayer Diary for March 2025

Bible Readings and Prayer Points for Individual and Church Spiritual Growth Waiting on God Habakkuk Chapters 1-3

A contemporary of Jeremiah, whom he probably knew, Habakkuk was a prophet who was likewise grieved over the apostasy of his nation and the way they had turned their backs on the God who had done so much for them, to embrace instead a lifestyle of sin and idolatry. Living before, and up to the time of the first invasion of Judah by the Babylonian armies which Jeremiah witnessed, Habakkuk's book records his prayer time and his conversations with God rather than the messages he preached to the people.

He asks God two questions. The first is: "The nation is filled with so much ungodliness, corruption, immorality and crime, why are you tolerating it for so long?" God's answer is: "Destruction is coming in the form of the Babylonians who are soon to destroy the land."

His second question is: "How can you use an even more ungodly nation to punish the Jews?" God replies: "The time of judgement for the Babylonians is also coming. In turn they will be destroyed by another nation." God's patience is great, allowing time, in mercy, for repentance. But there comes a time when he says, "Enough is enough" and his judgment falls.

Habakkuk reflects on God's nature. As a God of holiness and righteousness he must and does punish all wrongdoing. He raises up and casts down nations. The prophet is inspired to make two highly significant statements:

First: “Lord I have heard of your fame; I stand in awe of your deeds, O Lord. Renew them in our day, in our time make them known; in wrath remember mercy.” Indeed, God is a God of justice and his judgement will fall, on nations and, for individuals, on the Day of Judgment. But he is also a God of mercy; mercy is not receiving what we deserve.

Second: “The righteous will live by his faith.” He is also a God of grace; grace is receiving what we do not deserve. And as the apostle Paul later wrote, “For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – not by works, so that no one can boast.” Ephesians 8-9. And in his letter to the Romans, Paul quotes these words of Habakkuk to explain that faith in Christ and his finished work on the cross is the only means of a sinner being restored to a right and lasting relationship with a holy and righteous God. And the truth is that “... all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.” Romans 3:23.

Habakkuk’s book reminds us that God is a God who will judge all wrongdoing. But he is also a God of mercy who will always respond to the sinner who comes to him in true repentance and faith. In addition, he is quite capable of doing in our time the awesome deeds he has done in the past. Habakkuk responds with a song of praise to this righteous yet merciful God, realising that even if he loses everything this world has to offer, he still has everything to praise God for.

This month we are praying for God’s mercy on our nation and the renewal of God’s deeds in our day, before it is too late.

1st - Habakkuk 1:1-2 How long O Lord?

1. For those amongst us who have been waiting for an answer to prayer for a long time, help them to be persistent and not give up, we pray
2. For those amongst us who have been praying for their loved ones to come to know Christ and are still waiting, strengthen them, O Lord
3. For those we know who have been praying concerning their health and are still waiting, help them persist in faith, O Lord
4. For those we know who are still waiting for breakthroughs concerning their jobs or finance, open doors for them now, we pray
5. Lord, we have waited for many years but we pray once again for a move of your Holy Spirit across our nation

2nd - Habakkuk 1:3-4 The problems in our society

1. Lord, as we bring the problem of lawlessness in our society, rise up once again in our midst and help your people to be instruments of change

2. Since many young people turn to drink and drugs because they are spiritually empty, use us to powerfully bring them the gospel message that will change them
3. As laws are being passed that will hinder the freedom of christians to freely live out their Biblical beliefs, turn our nation back to righteousness, O God
4. As we pray for the young people of our society who can grow up never hearing the gospel or even Bible stories, create opportunities for them to hear about you, O Lord
5. Lord, use us for your glory wherever we are, at home, at work and amongst every area of our communities

3rd - Habakkuk 1:5 Look at the nations

1. Lord, we bring before you all the nations of Asia, praying you move in power of your Holy Spirit through each one
2. Lord, we bring all the countries of Africa before you, asking you to sweep through each one by the power of your Holy Spirit from Cape Town to Cairo
3. Lord, as we pray for all the countries of Europe, turn them back to their Christian roots and send revival in each one
4. Lord, as we pray for all the countries of North and South America and the Caribbean, fan further into flames what you have begun and let every nation see revival
5. Lord, as we pray for Australasia and all the island nations around the world, may the Holy Spirit visit every one with revival power

4th - Habakkuk 1:6-9 An ungodly nation

1. We bring all those nations in the world governed by dictators who oppress their people and persecute christians, praying you would bring change and freedom
2. For all the Muslim countries that refuse to allow the preaching of the gospel or even owning a Bible, bring radical change, O Lord
3. For those Hindu regions where christians are persecuted, bring a new freedom, without violence, for those seeking Christ to come to know him, O God
4. As we pray for those countries in the world that remain under the communist system, continue to multiply the underground churches, O Lord
5. We pray for our own nation, O Lord, that is descending into godlessness and implore you to rescue this generation

5th - Habakkuk 1:10-11 Man as his own god

1. Lord, you have said it is the fool who says I his heart, 'there is no God', so have mercy on those we know who claim they are atheists

2. Lord, we know that nobody in hell believes in atheism, so lead us to be able to witness to those who you know have only a short time left on earth
3. We pray you would open the eyes of all those around us who are kept from believing in the living God because they stumble over the theory of evolution
4. Lead us to those who may have genuine doubts about God but who are open enough to listen, and save them, we pray
5. Help each of us, O Lord, to stand up strongly to the antichrist spirit that is permeating every area of our society

6th - Habakkuk 1:12 God's instruments of punishment

1. Lord, give us the insight to see when you are visiting rebuke and discipline upon us as individuals, so that we may change our ways accordingly
2. When we see the ungodly gaining in strength around us, it reminds us of the way your church has been too timid, so let your church rise up in power, O Lord
3. Lord, help us to see those events that take place in our nation that are, in reality, you sending warnings and may we intercede effectively for our society
4. You are the God who controls the weather and the climate, so as you are shaking our planet, may the people's fears cause them to turn to you
5. Help us to use each day effectively, O God, knowing that the time is getting increasingly shorter before you return in judgment

7th - Habakkuk 1:13 God's eyes to pure to look on evil

1. Teach us your paths of holiness, O Lord
2. Help us, Heavenly Father, to understand and see sin as you see it, so we may continually be changing and growing closer to Christ
3. Keep us, Holy Spirit, from becoming conformed to the ways of the world we live in, but instead to be transformed to be like Christ
4. Enable us to be the salt and light that you want us to be, O God, in the communities we live
5. May people see Christ in each of us and desire what we have

8th - Habakkuk 1:14-17 Why do the wicked prosper?

1. Lord, we know we live in a fallen world where sin abounds, so help us never to stop opposing wrongdoing in all its forms
2. Since we know we live in a world that also has invisible forces of the powers of darkness influencing what is happening, make us strong to overcome such powers
3. When we see wrongdoing prospering around us, O Lord, motivate us as we remember the destiny of the lost
4. Since we know that the days of the wicked are numbered, help us to pray for them and reach them with the gospel before it is too late for them
5. Let your Kingdom come and your will be done on earth, Lord Jesus

9th - Habakkuk 2:1 Waiting on, and watching for, God

1. Teach us how to effectively wait on you and for you, O Lord
2. As we wait on you, O Lord, give us eyes to see and ears to hear, the understanding of your ways and your plans
3. We pray that you will speak to us in dreams, visions, prophecies, by angels, through your Word and through directly speaking to us, O God
4. Give us the patience and the perseverance to pray until the answer comes
5. Visit us individually and as your church with your Holy Spirit power, O God

10th - Habakkuk 2:2 Make plain the revelation

1. Lord, you have already revealed to us the gospel message of salvation through Christ, so help us to make it plain to all we meet
2. Since your Word is clear that heaven is a real place and so is hell, may we never water down the message of the Bible but speak with all wisdom
3. May we be a living message to our communities by never compromising our testimony but always living according to the standards of Christ
4. Give us daily opportunities and divine appointments to share the gospel
5. Help us to speak with clarity and wisdom to each individual we speak with about Christ, so they can clearly understand our message

11th - Habakkuk 2:3 God's timing

1. Give us wisdom, O Lord, to know your timing and not to rush ahead of you or go too slowly behind you
2. We pray that you would bring to pass in the power of your Holy Spirit, every prophetic vision, dream and prophecy spoken over the church and Island
3. Give us the patience to wait on you and for you so that we always act according to your word and timing, O Lord
4. Lord, rise up in our time and turn this generation to you, as you have graciously done with previous generations
5. Help us to pray with a firm faith believing that you will hear our cry for a move of your Spirit on our Island and in our time, O God

12th - Habakkuk 2:4 The righteous will live by faith

1. Lord, help us always to live by faith and not by sight
2. Help us to live and act in all we do in such a way that it is righteous in your sight, O Lord
3. When we are buffeted by adverse circumstances in our lives, cause us nevertheless to be steadfast in our faith in you, O God
4. Lord, give us a faith that can overcome everything the enemy may throw against us
5. In times of trial, O Lord, may those trials have the effect of making our faith stronger

13th - Habakkuk 2:5 Giving rather than greed

1. Thank you, O Lord, for all the material possessions we have, but may they never become a snare or an idol to us
2. Lord, develop continually within us a hunger and a thirst for righteousness and may we be filled
3. Lord, give us an earnest desire and hunger to see more and more people saved out of the kingdom of darkness and coming into the Kingdom of light
4. Fill us to overflowing, Holy Spirit, so that out of the overflow we may be able to touch and change the lives of those around us
5. Lord, may the only things that we 'covet' be the best gifts of the Holy Spirit, as your Word encourages us to do

14th - Habakkuk 2:6-8 A day of reckoning

1. Lord, as your Word says, help us to judge ourselves so that we do not need to be judged and disciplined by you
2. Since there is a spiritual principle that we reap what we sow, teach us to only sow the seeds of righteousness so we may see a great spiritual harvest
3. Lord, keep us conscious of the fact that one day each of us will stand before you to give an account of our lives, so we may live now in reverence and godly fear
4. May the knowledge that those who choose to reject Christ now will suffer eternally for their sins, motivate us to reach them for Christ
5. Lord, visit our nation in power once more and change the ungodly ways of those who are currently destined to face you in judgment, before it is too late for them

15th - Habakkuk 2:9-11 A corrupt generation

1. Lord, we pray for our Parliament that any corruption would be rooted out and members will always act with integrity
2. We pray for your church up and down the land that any leaders who are tempted to compromise your values will always stand up for righteousness
3. Lord, we pray for all the institutions in our land, that all corrupt practices will be exposed, with honesty and integrity becoming prominent
4. We pray that our children's generation would turn from the bankrupt sexual corruption of their parents' generation and rediscover the value of purity
5. As we pray for those who abuse the benefits tax systems to the detriment of others, expose corruption and restore honesty

16th - Habakkuk 2:12-14 All the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the Lord

1. Lord, let your kingdom come and your will be done on earth, we pray
2. Lord, help each of us individually to reach the unsaved for Christ, one by one
3. We pray you would enable all our individual and collective evangelism outreaches to be very fruitful in seeing people being won to Christ
4. We pray that all mid-week groups will be fruitful in reaching the lost for Christ

5. We pray you would draw into every service in the church across the Island, unsaved people who come under conviction by the Holy Spirit to give their lives to Jesus

17th - Habakkuk 2:15-16 Drunkenness and sexual sins

1. Have mercy on this generation seeks solace in drunkenness and help them find the One who alone can fill and satisfy their emptiness
2. We pray you would help us show all the youth that we know, how to be filled with the Holy Spirit
3. Shake up and give sense to our national leaders who do not understand the folly of encouraging sexual permissiveness, O Lord
4. In the sadness of teenage pregnancies, sexually transmitted diseases and abortions, help this lost generation find the joy of knowing Jesus
5. We need supernatural help, O God, so send a fresh visitation in our nation

18th - Habakkuk 2:17 Violence

1. We take authority in Jesus' name over the spirits of violence in our neighbourhoods and command them to leave
2. Lord, we pray for our streets that you would frustrate all those who would use them for crime
3. Lord, we pray you would use each street pastor and school pastor on the Island effectively in ministering to those they meet
4. We pray that in our primary and secondary schools, O Lord, you would cause violence against teachers to diminish and that respect would return
5. As we pray for families we know which are under stress and may be tempted to act with physical or verbal abuse, bring healing and reconciliation, O God

19th - Habakkuk 2:18-19 The need to know the true God

1. We pray you would save our unbelieving neighbours, O Lord
2. We pray for every unbelieving youth we know and save them, O Lord
3. We pray you would save every atheist we know, O Lord
4. We pray you would save sincere believers in false religions we know, O Lord
5. We pray for everyone we know who is deceived by New Age religions, witchcraft and the occult that you would save them, O Lord

20th - Habakkuk 2:20 Holiness

1. Lord, help us walk in holiness before you at all times
2. As we wait upon you, O God, reveal to us any areas of our lives that are not surrendered to you and give us the grace to change now
3. Touch our minds and help us to renew them so they are no longer conformed to the unchristlike ways of the world, we pray
4. Restore to your church, O Lord, a deep sense of the need to walk in holiness in every area of life

5. In all our dealings at our places of work, O Lord, enable us always to work with integrity

21st - Habakkuk 3:1-2 Renew your deeds in our time

1. Lord, raise up national prophets in our land like Elijah who can bring the voice of God to the nation in power
2. Raise up godly national leaders who have the strength and ability to take on the ills of our society and bring change for good, we pray
3. Fill all church leaders in our nation and Island with your power, O God, who will not compromise or hesitate to challenge the sins of our society
4. Release a new move of your Spirit across our land and Island that will reawaken the hearts of men and women to understand their need to know and walk with their God
5. Move in signs and wonders once again in your churches up and down our land and Island, O Lord

22nd - Habakkuk 3:3-4 The glory of God

1. Lord, may we live so close to you that your glory can be seen in us and influence others around us for good
2. Lord, we pray that your glory would come and manifestly dwell in our congregations
3. We pray not only for a visitation of your Holy Spirit in our midst but also a habitation of the Holy Spirit amongst us
4. Bring glory to yourself in our midst, O Lord, by causing many unsaved people's eyes to be opened and turn to Christ
5. Bring glory to yourself, O Lord, by rising up in the power of your holiness and bringing radical change to our backslidden society

23rd - Habakkuk 3:5-7 The nations tremble

1. Cause all the communist nations to tremble and turn to you, O Lord
2. Cause all the Muslim nations to tremble and turn to you, O Lord
3. Cause all the democracies of the world to tremble and turn to you, O Lord
4. Cause all the countries with dictators to tremble and turn to you, O Lord
5. Send a move of your Spirit that sweeps around the world, O Lord and do not forget our own nation

24th - Habakkuk 3:8-10 God's anger

1. Lord, give us insight into your anger at the sin in our nation so that it drives us to our knees in intercessory prayer
2. Help us to feel as you feel, at the daily extinguishing of the lives the unborn, so we may intercede for a halt to it all
3. Lord, cause us to feel what you feel at the worship of other gods and the worship of man that is so prevalent in our society and to intercede for change

4. Give us a heart like yours that is so moved with indignation against sin that we are not prepared to stand aside while sin prevails in our nation
5. Lord, give us a godly anger at sin, at the devil and at all the works of evil in this nation, such that we travail in prayer to pull down every spiritual stronghold working in our society

25th - Habakkuk 3:11-15 God's deliverance of his people (1)

1. Lord, deliver us from every attack of the enemy that would discourage us from serving you
2. Lord, deliver us from every assault of the enemy on our family lives
3. Lord, deliver us from every attack of the enemy on our jobs and finances
4. Lord, deliver us in every area of our lives from every temptation to sin
5. Lord, deliver us from apathy but instead stir up the passion for Christ that is within us

26th - Habakkuk 3:11-15 God's deliverance of his people (2)

1. In accordance with your Word, O Lord, we pray for the peace of Jerusalem and that you would cause Jews and Arabs living in that region to know Jesus
2. We pray that you would open the eyes of all the religious Jews living in Israel to the realisation that Jesus is their promised Messiah
3. We pray for all the non-religious Jews in Israel that you would cause them to understand the truth of the Bible and of their heritage and save them
4. We pray you would use the Messianic Jews in Israel to be fruitful in leading their fellow country men and women to Jesus
5. We pray you would open the eyes of the government of Israel to their need to turn to you and acknowledge you wholeheartedly as their God

27th - Habakkuk 3:16 Waiting patiently on God

1. Give us grace to wait on you patiently, O God
2. Instead of complaining that nothing is happening, help us to grow spiritually as we wait on you, O Lord
3. Teach us to understand the importance of your perfect timing as we wait in answer to prayer, O Lord
4. Help us to listen to you as we wait, O Lord and not just simply talk at you
5. As we wait on you, Holy Spirit, please drop your words, thoughts and desires for our lives into our spirit

28th - Habakkuk 3:17 Trusting in times of trouble

1. Lord, teach us to recognise what are the true spiritual riches so that our faith does not weaken when we lose anything we own that has no lasting value
2. Help us when necessary, O Lord, to say, "the Lord gives and the Lord takes away; blessed is the name of the Lord"
3. Help us understand the truth of the apostle Paul's words that the suffering of this present world is not worth comparing to the glory that will be revealed

4. We pray that you would strengthen those we know who are struggling in their faith because of troubles, O Lord
5. Teach us to trust in you, O Lord and not in what we possess

29th - Habakkuk 3:18 Faith that enables rejoicing at all times

1. Develop to a greater depth, O Lord, your joy which is based not on outward circumstances but on our relationship with you
2. Teach us to follow and experience the apostle Paul's exhortation to "rejoice in the Lord always and again I say rejoice"
3. Teach us to live out our thanks to you Lord, for your incomparable salvation which is worth more than the total of everything the world could possibly offer
4. Give us the joy that comes when we lead others to Christ, since we know our actions have eternal results
5. Help us always to live by faith, O God

30th - Habakkuk 3:19 The Lord is my strength

1. Lord, give us strength in all our day-to-day activities as we seek to do all for the glory of Jesus
2. Help each in our families, to grow closer together day by day in their walk with you, O God, despite all the pressures that would come their way
3. In our schools, colleges and places of work give us the strength never to compromise in our witness for Christ
4. Lord, in our prayer lives, give us the strength to keep praying and never give up
5. For every new step of faith you call us to take, O God, give us the strength of mind and the character to take it decisively

31st - Habakkuk 3:19 New heights in God

1. Help us to rise to a newer level of spirituality in you, O Lord
2. Holy Spirit, give us a deeper insight and a greater understanding of your Word
3. Enable us to grow more in Christlikeness in all our dealings with the people we live and work with and minister to, O God
4. Develop a more effective level of the use of the gifts of the Spirit, O Lord, which we can use for the furtherance of your Kingdom
5. Lead us into new experiences, Holy Spirit, as we allow ourselves to be totally led by you