

先知哈巴谷和他的信息 THE PROPHET HABAKKUK AND HIS MESSAGE



The Primary Verses

希伯来书/Hebrews 1:1-2 哈巴谷书/Habakkuk 3:16-19

先知的职事

The Ministry of the Prophet

•先知的職事 - 为神说话 -> 启示 神的心意

Speak for God in revealing His will

•神既在古时借着众先知多次多方地晓谕列祖, (希伯来书 /Heb.1:1)

God, after He spoke long ago to the fathers in the prophets in many portions and in many ways.

先知的信息 The Messages of The Prophet

•指示将来必成的事

Point out the things that must come to pass

•我们并有先知更确的预言,如同灯照在暗处。你们在这预言上留意,直等到天发亮、晨星在你们心里出现的时候,才是好的。 (彼得后书/II Peter 1:19)

So we have the prophetic word made more sure, to which you do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star arises in your hearts.

先知的信息

The Messages of The Prophet

• 警戒与安慰 (warning and comfort)

• 但耶和华借众先知、先见劝诫以色列人和犹大人说:"当离开你们的恶行, 谨守我的诫命、律例,遵行我吩咐你们列祖并借我仆人众先知所传给你们 的律法。"(王下/II Kings 17:13)

"Yet the LORD warned Israel and Judah through all His prophets and every seer, saying, "Turn from your evil ways and keep My commandments, My statutes according to all the law which I commanded your fathers, and which I sent to you through My servants the prophets."

• 但做先知讲道的是对人说,要造就、安慰、劝勉人。(林前/I Cor. 14:3)

"But one who prophesies speaks to men for edification and exhortation and consolation."

先知的信息

The Messages of The Prophet

- 显明人内心的隐情 (disclose and convict the hidden matters)
 - •若都做先知讲道,偶然有不信的或是不通方言的人进来,就被众人劝醒,被众人审明,他心里的隐情显露出来,就必将脸伏地敬拜神,说:"神真是在你们中间了!"(林前/II 14:24-25)

"But if all prophesy, and an unbeliever or an ungifted man enters, he is convicted by all, he is called to account by all; the secrets of his heart are disclosed; and so he will fall on his face and worship God, declaring that God is certainly among you."

先知的环境与遭遇

The Environment the Prophet Encounters

- •听者无动于衷 (indifferent audience)
 - •我们所传的有谁信呢? 耶和华的膀臂向谁显露呢? (以赛亚/Isa. 53:1)
 - "Who has believed our message? And to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?"
- 遭厌弃 (be despised)
 - •他们就厌弃他。耶稣对他们说:"大凡先知,除了本地、本家之外,没有不被人尊敬的。"(马太/Matt.13:57)

"And they took offense at Him. But Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his hometown and in his own household."

先知哈巴谷 The Prophet Habakkuk

- 时代背景
 - •大约介于亚述帝国的没落 -》巴比伦(迦勒底人)帝国的兴起之间

In between the fall of the Assyrians and the rise of the Babylons



- 哀痛的先知 (a prophet that mourns)
 - 哀恸的人有福了!因为他们必得安慰。(马太/Matt. 5:4) "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."
- •困惑的先知 (a prophet that perplexes)
 - •"你为何…" (1:3a) "Why…"

哈巴谷书的特点

Characteristics of the Book of Habakkuk

- 超越时代的信息 (an age-transcending message)
 - •我可用什么比这世代呢?好像孩童坐在街市上招呼同伴说: '我们向你们吹笛,你们不跳舞!我们向你们举哀,你们不捶胸!' (马太/Matt. 11:16-17)

"But to what shall I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market places, who call out to the other children, and say, 'We played the flute for you, and you did not dance; we sang a dirge, and you did not mourn."

•那时候的人又吃又喝,又娶又嫁,到挪亚进方舟的那日,洪水就来,把他们全都灭了。(路加/Luke 17:27)

They were eating, they were drinking, they were marrying, they were being given in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark, and the flood came and destroyed them all.

哈巴谷质问 神 Habakkuk Interrogates God

- 先知的困惑 (the perplex prophet)
 - •他说:耶和华啊,我呼求你,你不应允,要到几时呢?我因强暴 哀求你,你还不拯救。你为何使我看见罪孽?你为何看着奸恶而 不理呢?毁灭和强暴在我面前,又起了争端和相斗的事。因此律 法放松,公理也不显明。恶人围困义人,所以公理显然颠倒。 (1:2-4)

How long, O LORD, will I call for help, and You will not hear? I cry out to You, "Violence!" Yet You do not save. Why do You make me see iniquity and cause me to look on wickedness? Yes, destruction and violence are before me; strife exists and contention arises. Therefore the law is ignored and justice is never upheld. For the wicked surround the righteous; therefore justice comes out perverted.

神回应哈巴谷 God's Response to Habakkuk

- 意想不到的回答 (an unexpected answer)
 - •耶和华说:"你们要向列国中观看,大大惊奇。因为在你们的时候,我行一件事,虽有人告诉你们,你们总是不信。我必兴起迦勒底人,就是那残忍暴躁之民,通行遍地,占据那不属自己的住处。(1:5-6)

"Look among the nations! Observe! Be astonished! Wonder! Because I am doing something in your days. You would not believe if you were told." For behold, I am raising up the Chaldeans, that fierce and impetuous people who march throughout the earth to seize dwelling places which are not theirs."

哈巴谷再次质问 神 Habakkuk Interrogates God Again

- 先知更加困惑 (a more perplexed prophet)
 - 耶和华我的神,我的圣者啊,你不是从亘古而有吗?我们必不致死。耶和华啊,你派定他为要刑罚人;磐石啊,你设立他为要惩治人。你眼目清洁,不看邪僻,不看奸恶。行诡诈的,你为何看着不理呢?恶人吞灭比自己公义的,你为何静默不语呢?(1:12-13)
 - Are You not from everlasting, O LORD, my God, my Holy One? We will not die. You, O LORD, have appointed them to judge; and You, O Rock, have established them to correct. Your eyes are too pure to approve evil, and You can not look on wickedness with favor. Why do You look with favor on those who deal treacherously? Why are You silent when the wicked swallow up those more righteous than they?

神再次回应哈巴谷 God's Second Response to Habakkuk

•神的回答 (not an ideal answer)

他对我说:"将这默示明明地写在版上,使读的人容易读。因为这默示有一定的日期,快要应验,并不虚谎。虽然迟延,还要等候,因为必然临到,不再迟延。"迦勒底人自高自大,心不正直,唯义人因信得生。(2:2-4)

Then the LORD answered me and said, "Record the vision and inscribe it on tablets, that the one who reads it may run. For the vision is yet for the appointed time; it hastens toward the goal and it will not fail. Though it tarries, wait for it; for it will certainly come, it will not delay. Behold, as for the proud one, his soul is not right within him; but the righteous will live by his faith."

哈巴谷的祷告 Habakkuk's Prayer

•调用流离歌 (to the tune of Shigionoth)

先知哈巴谷的祷告,调用流离歌。耶和华啊,我听见你的名声就惧怕。耶和华啊,求你在这些年间复兴你的作为,在这些年间显明出来,在发怒的时候以怜悯为念。(3:1-2)

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

哈巴谷书的信息 The Message

当你信心软弱、挣扎时 (in times of your struggle with faith)
转向神,求问神

Turn to God and inquire (ch.1-2)

- 思想你所知道的 神, 追想他过去的作为 Ponder over who God is and what He has done (ch.3)
- •信靠神,凭信而活

Trust God and live by faith with patience

哈巴谷书的信息 The Message

- •义人必因信得生 义人单靠向着 神的信心活着 The righteous must live by faith
- 信:
 神对他的应许是信实的
 God is faithful to His promise
 神是公义的,必要审判不义的

God is righteous to punish the evil

- 人非有信就不能得神的喜悦,因为到神面前来的人必须信有神,且信他赏赐那寻求他的人。(希伯来/Heb.11:6)
- And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him.

哈巴谷的赞美 Habakkuk's Praise

我听见耶和华的声音,身体战兢,嘴唇发颤,骨中朽烂,我在所立之处战兢。我只可安静等候灾难之日临到,犯境之民上来。虽然无花果树不发旺,葡萄树不结果,橄榄树也不效力,田地不出粮食,圈中绝了羊,棚内也没有牛,然而我要因耶和华欢欣,因救我的神喜乐。 主耶和华是我的力量,他使我的脚快如母鹿的蹄,又使我稳行在高处。(3:16-19)

I heard and my inward parts trembled, at the sound my lips quivered. Decay enters my bones, and in my place I tremble. Because I must wait quietly for the day of distress, for the people to arise who will invade us. Though the fig tree should not blossom and there be no fruit on the vines, though the yield of the olive should fail and the fields produce no food, though the flock should be cut off from the fold and there be no cattle in the stalls. Yet I will exult in the LORD, I will rejoice in the God of my salvation. The Lord GOD is my strength, and He has made my feet like hinds' feet, and makes me walk on my high places. For the choir director, on my stringed instruments.