A Prayer of Confidence in God

III. A Prayer of the Prophet – I'll Trust God (Habakkuk 3:1-19)

A. God's got this (Habakkuk 3:1-7)

1 A prayer of Habakkuk the prophet upon **Shigionoth(a rambling poem)**.

1. God's a <mark>Merciful</mark> God

2 O LORD, I have heard thy speech, and was afraid: O LORD, revive(make alive) thy work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make known; in wrath remember mercy.
3 God came from Teman(a city in Edom), and the Holy One from mount Paran(by Mt. Sinai). Selah. His glory(majesty) covered the heavens, and the earth was full of his praise.

Psalms 22:3 But thou art holy, O thou that inhabitest **the praises of Israel**.

2. God's a Mighty God

4 And his brightness was as **the light**; he had **horns(symbol of strength**) coming out of his hand: and there was the **hiding of his power**.

5 Before him went the **pestilence**, and **burning coals** went forth at his feet.

6 He **stood**, and **measured the earth**: he beheld, and drove asunder the nations; and the everlasting mountains were scattered, the perpetual hills did bow: his ways are everlasting.

Isaiah 40:12

12 Who hath **measured** the waters in the hollow of his hand, and meted out heaven with the span, and comprehended the dust of the earth in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales, and the hills in a balance?

7 I saw the tents of **Cushan (a region of Arabia)** in affliction: and the curtains of **the land of Midian(named after one of the sons of Lot) did tremble.**

B. God's in charge of nature (Habakkuk 3:8-15)

1. Nature is God's army

8 Was the LORD displeased against the rivers? was thine anger against the rivers? was thy wrath against the sea, that thou didst ride upon thine horses and thy chariots of salvation?
9 Thy bow was made quite naked(open), according to the oaths of the tribes, even thy word. Selah. Thou didst cleave(rend) the earth with rivers.

10 The **mountains** saw thee, and they trembled: the **overflowing of the water** passed by: the **deep** uttered his voice, and lifted up his hands on high.

11 The **sun and moon stood still** in their habitation: at the light of thine arrows they went, and at the shining of thy glittering spear.

12 Thou didst march through the land in indignation, thou didst thresh the heathen in anger.

2. God's Nature is to save His people

13 Thou wentest forth for the salvation of thy people(God's purpose), even for salvation with thine anointed(the Messiah); thou woundedst the head out of the house of the wicked, by discovering the foundation unto the neck. Selah.

14 Thou didst strike through with his staves the head of his villages: they came out as a whirlwind to scatter me: their rejoicing was as to devour the poor secretly.

15 Thou didst walk through the sea with thine horses, through the heap of great waters.

C. God scared me He's too powerful (Habakkuk 3:16-17)

16 When I heard, **my belly trembled**; **my lips quivered** at the voice: **rottenness entered into** my bones, and **I trembled** in myself, that I might rest in the day of trouble: when he cometh up unto the people, he will invade them **with his troops**.

Revelation 19:11-14

11 And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.

12 His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.

13 And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.

14 And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

17 Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls:

D. God's the greatest (Habakkuk 3:18-19)

18 Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation.

19 The LORD God is my strength, and he will make my feet like hinds' feet, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places. To the chief singer on my stringed instruments.

GOD'S GOT THIS!!!