



Who are You, Lord?

Habakkuk 1:12-17
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Requisitions For God

With limited knowledge we expend unlimited effort to understand God's nature and ways.

Perplexed Prophet

Where Are You Lord? (1-4)

What Are You Doing Lord? (5-11)

Who Are You Lord? (12-17)

Isaiah 40:14 & Job 40:2

Whom did he consult, and who made him understand? Who taught him the path of justice, and taught him knowledge, and showed him the way of understanding?

Shall a faultfinder contend with the Almighty? He who argues with God, let him answer it.

Ecclesiastes 11:5 & Romans 11:33-34

As you do not know the way the spirit comes to the bones in the womb of a woman with child, so you do not know the work of God who makes everything.

Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! “For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor?”

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*Holding on
to your
faith even . . .*

WHEN
GOD
DOESN'T
MAKE
SENSE

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“It begins with a question that is in reality a great affirmation of faith...observe the twice repeated possessive pronoun my.”

King David

The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.

Psalm 18:2

I. Apparent Inconsistent Attributes Of God (12-13a)

**If God is really Who He says
He is then why are things in
such a mess?**

A. Eternality Of God (Existence)

Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

Psalm 90:1-2

B. Omnipotence (No Exhaustion)

Both riches and honor come from you, and you rule over all. In your hand are power and might, and in your hand it is to make great and to give strength to all.

I Chronicles 29:12

C. Holiness (Essence)

You shall be holy to me, for I the LORD am holy and have separated you from the peoples, that you should be mine.

Leviticus 20:26

D. Sovereignty (Execution)

The LORD has established his throne in the heavens, and his kingdom rules over all. (Psalm 103:19)

He who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords.

(I Timothy 6:15)

E. Faithfulness (Enduring)

The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. “The LORD is my portion,” says my soul, “therefore I will hope in him.”

Lamentations 3:22-24



II. Allowed Indulgent Actions (13b-17)

A. Question Of Detachment (13b)

B. Question Of Destruction (14-16)

C. Question Of Duration (17)

SOVEREIGNTY

IS GOD IN CONTROL, OR IS HE NOT?

**Belief in the sovereignty of God is the
anchor of the soul.**

**To you, O LORD, I cry,
and to the Lord I plead for mercy**

Psalm 30:8

Habakkuk 2:4a

**Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is
not upright within him.**

Invictus

By William Ernest Henley

Out of the night that covers me,
Black as the Pit from pole to pole,
I thank whatever gods may be
For my unconquerable soul.

In the fell clutch of circumstance
I have not winced nor cried aloud.
Under the bludgeonings of chance
My head is bloody, but unbowed.

Beyond this place of wrath and tears
Looms but the Horror of the shade,
And yet the menace of the years
Finds, and shall find, me unafraid.

It matters not how straight the gate,
How charged with punishments the scroll.
I am the master of my fate:
I am the captain of my soul.

Habakkuk 2:4b

**But the righteous shall live
by his faith.**

“Who Are You Lord?”

He who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords, who alone has immortality, who dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see. To him be honor and eternal dominion.

I Timothy 6:15b-16