



Logos Class – Book of Habakkuk

On Campus and Zoom class for April 24, 2022

Habakkuk – Intro and Ch 1A

Our next few weeks...

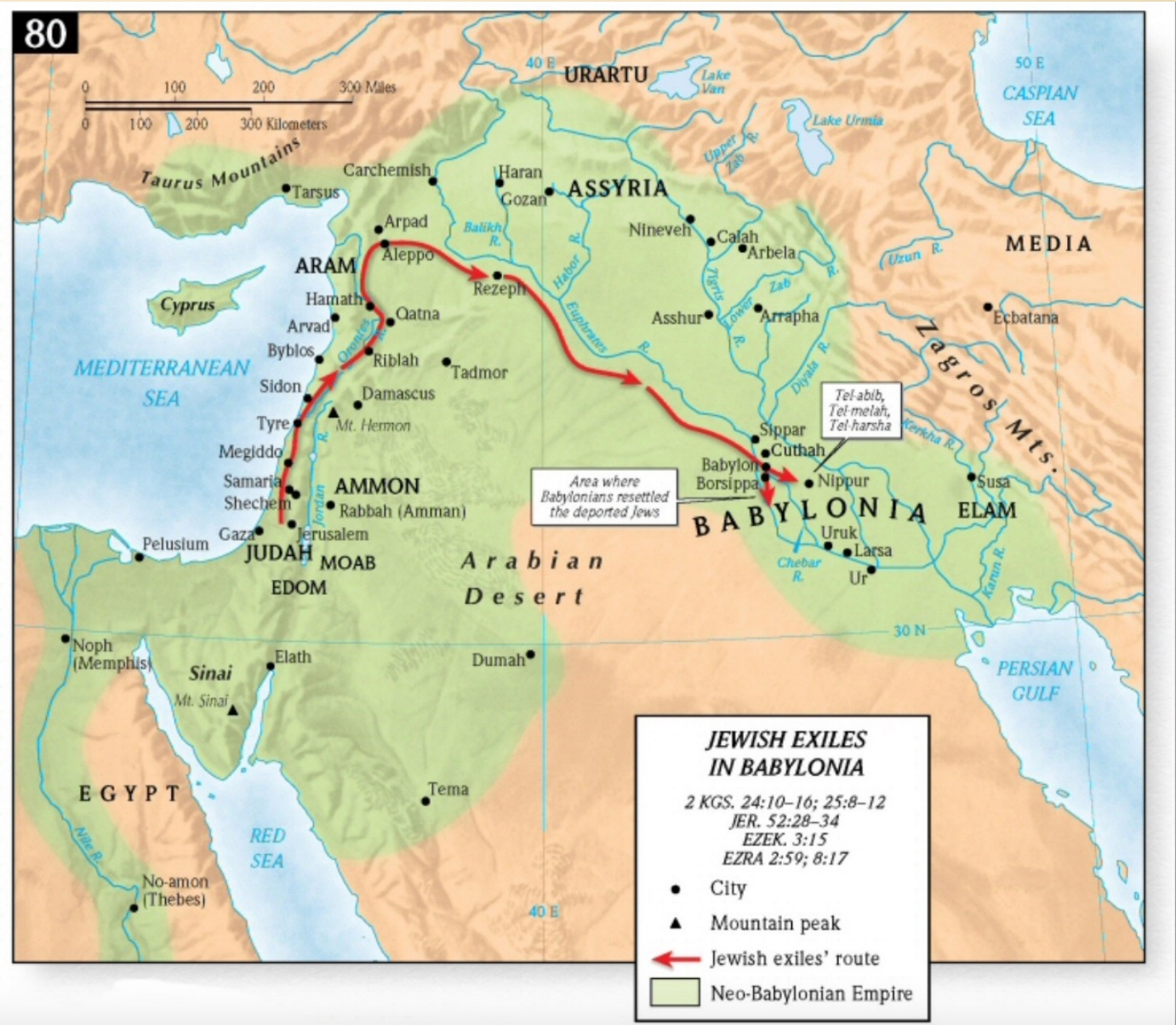
- ✓ *April 24, 2022 – Kaleigh Galvin & Intro to Habakkuk & Ch 1A*
- *May 1, 2022 – Habakkuk Ch 1B and 2A*
- *May 8, 2022 – Mothers Day*
- *May 15, 2022 – Habakkuk Ch 2B & 3 –Wrap up*
- *May 22, 2022 – New Study begins*

*These days may slide a little depending on how far we get
each Sunday*

Outline of our Study today

- *Background information about the context of the book*
 - *Author of the book*
 - *Why was it written and to whom?*
 - *Timing of its writing*
 - *Style of the book*
- *3 Chapters long*
 - *Chapter 1 – Habakkuk's complaint to the Lord and the Lord's answer*
 - *Chapter 2 – Habakkuk's follow-on complaint to the Lord and the Lord's answer*
 - *Chapter 3- A psalm or song to the Lord from Habakkuk*

Maps to set context; Divided Kingdom and Area



2 Kings 17:19 *Even Judah*

*¹⁹ and even **Judah** did not keep the commands of the LORD their God. **They followed the practices Israel had introduced.***

Let's refresh on what these practices were...

2 Kings 23:4-14 Josiah *Tearing down the Evil*

*⁴ The king (Josiah) ordered Hilkiah the high priest, the priests next in rank and the doorkeepers to **remove from the temple of the LORD all the articles made for Baal and Asherah and all the starry hosts. He burned them outside Jerusalem in the fields of the Kidron Valley** and took the ashes to Bethel.*

⁵ He did away with the idolatrous priests appointed by the kings of Judah to burn incense on the high places of the towns of Judah and on those around Jerusalem—those who burned incense to Baal, to the sun and moon, to the constellations and to all the starry hosts.

⁶ He took the Asherah pole from the temple of the LORD to the Kidron Valley outside Jerusalem and burned it there. He ground it to powder and scattered the dust over the graves of the common people.

⁷ He also tore down the quarters of the male shrine prostitutes that were in the temple of the LORD, the quarters where women did weaving for Asherah.

2 Kings 23:8-11 Destroying Idols and High places

⁸ Josiah brought all the priests from the towns of Judah and desecrated the high places, from Geba to Beersheba, where the priests had burned incense. He broke down the gateway at the entrance of the Gate of Joshua, the city governor, which was on the left of the city gate.

⁹ Although the priests of the high places did not serve at the altar of the LORD in Jerusalem, they ate unleavened bread with their fellow priests.

*¹⁰ **He desecrated Topheth, which was in the Valley of Ben Hinnom, so no one could use it to sacrifice their son or daughter in the fire to Molech.***

*¹¹ **He removed from the entrance to the temple of the LORD the horses that the kings of Judah had dedicated to the sun. They were in the court near the room of an official named Nathan-Melek. Josiah then burned the chariots dedicated to the sun.***

2 Kings 23:12-14 Destroying Idols and High places

¹² He pulled down the altars the kings of Judah had erected on the roof near the upper room of Ahaz, and the altars Manasseh had built in the two courts of the temple of the LORD. He removed them from there, smashed them to pieces and threw the rubble into the Kidron Valley.

*¹³ The king also desecrated the high places that were east of Jerusalem on the south of the Hill of Corruption—the ones **Solomon** king of Israel had built for **Ashtoreth** the vile goddess of the Sidonians, for **Chemosh** the vile god of Moab, and for **Molech** the detestable god of the people of Ammon.*

¹⁴ Josiah smashed the sacred stones and cut down the Asherah poles and covered the sites with human bones.

“Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God”

Pastor Jonathan Edwards- 1741- Sermon

Main scriptural text of this sermon...

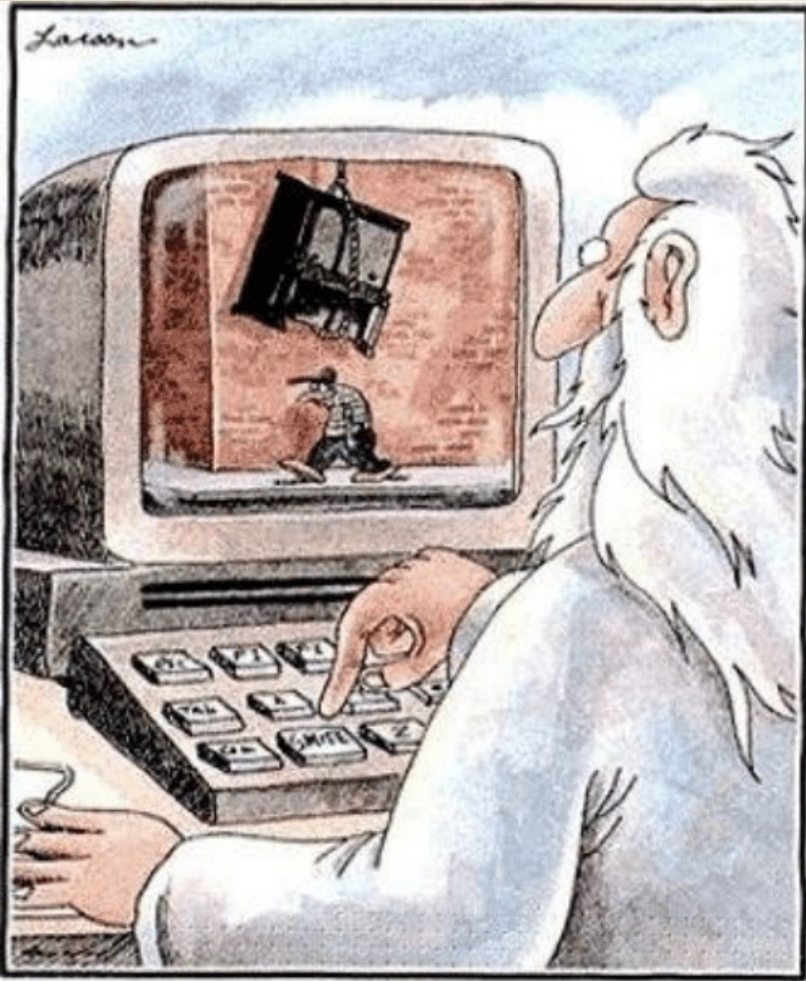
Deuteronomy 32:35 NIV

***35 It is mine to avenge; I will repay.
In due time their foot will slip;
their day of disaster is near
and their doom rushes upon them.”***

***God will judge the Sin of Judah
...In His Time***

Q: Have you ever wondered why God does not ZAP some people?

Q: Have you ever wondered why God does not ZAP some people?



God at His computer

Gary Larsen, Far Side

- *God watching everything and everyone*
- *Finger poised over the **SMITE** key*
- *Ready to Execute Judgment*

Habakkuk Ch 1:3 *Cry of Despair*

***³ Why do you make me look at injustice?
Why do you tolerate wrongdoing?
Destruction and violence are before me;
there is strife, and conflict abounds***

Habakkuk Ch 1:4. *Any Conclusions?*

***4 Therefore the law is paralyzed,
and justice never prevails.***

***The wicked hem in the righteous,
so that justice is perverted.***

Habakkuk Ch 1:5-6. *The Lord Answers*

⁵ *“Look at the nations and watch—
and be utterly amazed.*

*For I am going to do something in your days
that you would not believe,
even if you were told.*

⁶ *I am raising up the Babylonians (or Chaldeans),
that ruthless and impetuous people,
who sweep across the whole earth
to seize dwellings not their own.*

Habakkuk Ch 1:7-9

***⁷ They are a feared and dreaded people;
they are a law to themselves
and promote their own honor.***

***⁸ Their horses are swifter than leopards,
fiercer than wolves at dusk.***

***Their cavalry gallops headlong;
their horsemen come from afar.***

They fly like an eagle swooping to devour;

⁹ they all come intent on violence.

***Their hordes advance like a desert wind
and gather prisoners like sand.***

Habakkuk Ch 1:10-11

*They mock kings
and scoff at rulers.*

*They laugh at all fortified cities;
by building earthen ramps they capture
them.*

*¹¹ Then they sweep past like the wind and go
on—*

*guilty people, whose own strength is their
god.”*

We have studied Habakkuk's first complaint

- *He heard God's answer and wasn't satisfied with it, so he added another complaint which we will study next week*
- *Read the rest of Chapter 1 and all of Chapter 2 and hopefully we can through them both next week*
- *Continue to pray for our country and its leaders*
- *...our State, Counties and their leaders*
- *and our church and our leaders*
- *Pray for each other and thank God for His working both in our own lives, and in the world to judge the wicked. Thank Him for answered prayer.*