

Habakkuk 1

Alte englische Darby-Übersetzung



1 The burden which Habakkuk the prophet did see. **2** Jehovah, how long shall I cry and thou wilt not hear? I cry out unto thee, Violence! and thou dost not save. **3** Why dost thou cause me to see iniquity, and lookest thou upon grievance? For spoiling and violence are before me; and there is strife, and contention riseth up. **4** Therefore the law is powerless, and justice doth never go forth; for the wicked encompasseth the righteous; therefore judgment goeth forth perverted.

5 See ye among the nations, and behold, and wonder marvellously; for I work a work in your days, which ye will not believe, though it be declared to you. **6** For behold, I raise up the Chaldeans, that bitter and impetuous nation, which marcheth through the breadth of the earth, to possess dwelling-places that are not theirs. **7** They are terrible and dreadful: their judgment and their dignity proceed from themselves. **8** And their horses are swifter than the leopards, and are more agile than the evening wolves; and their horsemen prance proudly, and their horsemen come from afar: they fly as an eagle that hasteth to devour. **9** They come all of them for violence: the crowd of their faces is forwards, and they gather captives as the sand. **10** Yea, he scoffeth at kings, and princes are a scorn unto him; he derideth every stronghold: for he heapeth up dust, and taketh it. **11** Then will his mind change, and he will pass on, and become guilty: this his power is become his +god.

12 --Art thou not from everlasting, Jehovah my God, my Holy One? We shall not die. Jehovah, thou hast ordained him for judgment; and thou, O Rock, hast appointed him for correction. **13** Thou art of purer eyes than to behold evil, and canst not look on mischief: wherefore lookest thou upon them that deal treacherously, and keepest silence when the wicked swalloweth up a man more righteous than he? **14** And thou makest men as the fishes of the sea, as the creeping things, that have no ruler over them. **15** He taketh up all of them with the hook, he catcheth them in his net, and gathereth them into his drag; therefore he rejoiceth and is glad: **16** therefore he sacrificeth unto his net, and burneth incense unto his drag; for by them his portion is become fat, and his meat dainty. **17** Shall he therefore empty his net, and not spare to slay the nations continually?