

Thrive

Waking Up In Exile

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Beloved, I urge you as **foreigners and exiles**... 1 Peter 2:11

Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world..." John 18:36

Landmarks of Exile

In Exile (Biblical) Values are Perverted.

Must I forever see these evil deeds? Why must I watch all this misery? Wherever I look, I see destruction and violence. I am surrounded by people who love to argue and fight.

Habakkuk 1:3 (NLT)

What sorrow for those who say that evil is good and good is evil, that dark is light and light is dark, that bitter is sweet and sweet is bitter.

Isaiah 5:20 (NLT)

In Exile Godliness is Mocked.

Law and order fall to pieces. Justice is a joke. The wicked have the righteous hamstrung and stand justice on its head.

Habakkuk 1:4 (MSG)

...all the foundations of society are shaken to the core...

Psalms 82:5 (TLB)

How To Thrive In Exile

I must cultivate my Interior Life.

- Prayer

I will climb up to my watchtower and stand at my guardpost. There I will wait to see what the LORD says and how he will answer my complaint.

Habakkuk 2:1 (NLT)

The revelation awaits an appointed time; it speaks of the end and will not prove false. **Though it linger, wait for it**; it will certainly come and will not delay.

Habakkuk 2:3 (NIV)

- Recite God's Word

Then the LORD answered me, "Write the vision. Make it clear on tablets so that anyone can read it..."

Habakkuk 2:2 (GW)

All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right.

2 Timothy 3:16 (NLT)

- Sing Songs of Praise

LORD, I have heard of your fame; I stand in awe of your deeds...

Habakkuk 3:2 (NIV)

Though the fig tree does not bud and there are no grapes on the vines, though the olive crop fails and the fields produce no food, though there are no sheep in the pen and no cattle in the stalls, yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will be joyful in God my Savior. The Sovereign LORD is my strength... For the director of music. On my stringed instruments.

Habakkuk 3:17-19 (NIV)