

O LORD REVIVE THY HABAKKUK 3:2

Text: Hab. 3:2

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²O LORD, I have heard thy speech, *and* was afraid: O LORD, revive thy work in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make known; in wrath remember mercy.

Introduction:

1. THE PROPHET'S FEAR

- A. A solemn awe inspired by the near Presence of the Lord.
- B. Past Report of God's dealing with sin.
- C. Projection of the future oppression.
- D. Perspective of time - "midst of the years,"
 - 1. Prime time of service.
 - 2. Youth has its perils, age has its infirmities.
 - 3. Too often

2. THE PROPHET'S PRAYER

A. Revival

B. Revelation - "make known"

1. Himself known to us.

3. THE PROPHET'S PERCEPTION

"Thy Work"

A. It's the Lord's Work

4. The Prophet's Plea

A. Urgency.

Revive Thy work

1. Lord if this is our work end it, if it's man's work break it down, but if it be Thy work revive it.

B. Mercy

C. Do it again.

Habakkuk 3:17-19

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: 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.