

(Topics, Lead-in, and Lead-in Devotional Reading below)

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Watch and Wait

Inspired by Habakkuk 1:5-11
with Matthew 24:42-51

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C_m F_m⁶ C_m F^o C_m G C_m F_m⁶ G sus G_D^{sus} G

1. "I am He, God Al - might - y. Look to Me and rest.
2. "Like a flood, all - en - gulf - ing, Swirl-ing all a - round,
3. "Watch and wait, lov - ing, prais - ing, Serv - ing to the end.

C_m F_m⁶ C_m F^o C_m F_m C_m F_m B_b^{sus} B_F^{sus} B_b B_b⁶

I am love; I am wis - dom. I will give what's best.
E - vil roars; e - vil threat - ens Fear and pain pro - found.
Soon the dawn - light and won - der None can com - pre - hend.

C_m G_m E_b F_m⁶ C_m F_m⁶ F_m⁷ G sus G_D^{sus} G G_F

Trust My time. Trust My heart. Watch My will un - fold.
Lift your hearts! Raise your eyes! See what soon will be:
Share My joy! Breathe My peace! Faith will show you how.

C_m C_m F_m F_m C_m G⁷ G sus G sus G C_m C_m C_m

Af - ter night, day is bring - ing Glo - ries yet un - told!
Life from death, good from e - vil. Bold - ly wait on Me.
I am life, strength, and bless - ing Thro' this here and now!"

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TOPICS: Assurance & Comfort; Faith; Patient Endurance; Tunes, Classical

LEAD-IN: *How long, Lord, have I called for help,
And You do not hear?
I cry out to You, "Violence!"
Yet You do not save.
Why do You make me see disaster,
And make me look at destitution?
Yes, devastation and violence are before me;
Strife exists and contention arises.
Therefore the Law is ignored,
And justice is never upheld.
For the wicked surround the righteous;
Therefore justice comes out confused. (Habakkuk 1:2-4, NASB)*

LEAD-IN DEVOTIONAL READING:

Reflection on Habakkuk 1:1-4

How long, Lord?
You see our situation, and
 we cry out to You for Your help.
But we see no evidence that You are
 listening or
 doing anything.

Why, Lord?
You are holy,
 completely pure, and
You say You want us to be holy.
But we are immersed in evil!
Destruction,
violence,
arguing and fighting on every level,
 from personal relationships
 to nation against nation.
This strife is always with us,
 day after day,
 everywhere we look, and
nothing
ever
changes.
You are holy, and
 You want us to be holy, so
why, Lord?
Why?

Truth,
light,
justice,
goodness
 are completely ignored.
It's like they don't exist.

Evil routinely abuses the good,
often with no consequences.
The only version of “justice” we ever get is
twisted to serve someone’s
ignorance and
selfishness.

Why, Lord?
How long do we have to wait?

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