

BIBLE FELLOWSHIP CENTER

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THE LORD'S DAY

November 10, 2019 8:30 & 10:15 AM

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

Habakkuk 3:3-4 (on reverse page)

Organ Prelude David Schmidt
Piano Wendy Baldwin

We are thankful for our Veterans of the Armed Forces

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Prayer

Scripture – Psalm 91

John VanderMey

Announcements

Hymn Favorites of our Veterans

Intercessory Prayer

Message Colossians 1:18 Rev. Cal VanderMey

Benediction Hymn 532 'Only Believe'

THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

Monday - Youth Group 6:30 pm

Monday at 7pm Hour of Prayer

Tuesday at 6:30 –Precept Study on 'Mark'- Wendy Baldwin teaching

No Thursday Precept at 9:15 on 'Revelation' with Margaret Was

Thursday Ladies Fellowship at 10am

Friday - Adult Bible study 7pm - John Woodell teaching

The offering box is located in the back of the sanctuary

Happy 15 years BFC sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ

UPCOMING EVENTS

Ladies of Grace brunch November 10th (Today!) at 12:15 (after church)

Thanksgiving Eve Service 6:30pm

Rehearsal for the children's Advent Program, Sat. Dec. 7th at 4 pm

Children's Advent Program, Sunday Dec. 8th at 3 pm

SCRIPTURE READING

Safety of Abiding in the Presence of God

91 He who dwells in the secret place of the Most High
Shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.

² **I will say of the LORD, "He is my refuge and my fortress;
My God, in Him I will trust."**

³ Surely He shall deliver you from the snare of the fowler
And from the perilous pestilence.

⁴ **He shall cover you with His feathers, and under His wings you shall
take refuge; His truth shall be your shield and buckler.**

⁵ You shall not be afraid of the terror by night,
Nor of the arrow that flies by day,

⁶ **Nor of the pestilence that walks in darkness,
Nor of the destruction that lays waste at noonday.**

⁷ A thousand may fall at your side, and ten thousand at your right hand;
But it shall not come near you.

⁸ **Only with your eyes shall you look,
And see the reward of the wicked.**

⁹ Because you have made the LORD, *who is* my refuge,
Even the Most High, your dwelling place,

¹⁰ **No evil shall befall you,
Nor shall any plague come near your dwelling;**

¹¹ For He shall give His angels charge over you, to keep you in all your ways.

¹² **In their hands they shall bear you up,
Lest you dash your foot against a stone.**

¹³ You shall tread upon the lion and the cobra,
The young lion and the serpent you shall trample underfoot.

¹⁴ **"Because he has set his love upon Me, therefore I will deliver him;
I will set him on high, because he has known My name.**

¹⁵ He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him;

I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him and honor him.

¹⁶ With long life I will satisfy him, and show him My salvation."

THE MINISTRY OF MISSION

For the glory of God, Bible Fellowship Center is committed to spreading the
Good News of salvation, equipping the believers, that they might become
more Christ-like, worship God and enjoy Him forever.

Veteran's Day is a reminder to all of us that the privileges that we have in this land were at a price—the time and in many cases the very lives of young men and women. They gave their best, and it is now up to us to be vigilant to defend that freedom and to enjoy the benefits of that freedom. It is the same with our eternal salvation that cost Christ Jesus His life. Now we are to defend our faith in Christ and to enjoy the benefits of our salvation right now. Sunday is the Lord's Day. One of the greatest benefits is to worship the Savior—to be with Christ.

The Answer of the Lord to the Prayer of Habakkuk (3:3-4)

3 God came from Teman, The Holy One from Mount Paran. *Selah*
His glory covered the heavens, And the earth was full of His praise.

4 *His* brightness was like the light;
He had rays *flashing* from His hand,
And there His power *was* hidden.

Habakkuk describes in these verses a visible manifestation of God in splendor, a true “theophany.” God comes in **verse 3** like a storm from the south. “Teman” was perhaps the capital of Edom, and “Paran” was opposite Teman, so a reference to the lands south of Israel. Commentators such as Charles Feinberg found that this was a reminder of the manifestations of the Lord when He redeemed Israel from Egypt. The promise would be implied of a future deliverance for the chosen people. “Selah” (verse 3, 9, 13) is most likely a musical accompaniment that would allow for a pause and meditation in the music (the word occurs 70 times in the Psalms). The heavens and the earth are full of the praise and glory of the Lord. The Shekinah cloud of glory that protected and led the Israelites through the wilderness was itself a manifestation of the presence of God's glory.

Verse 4: Here God's glory is manifested as light, and compared with a sunrise. Coming from God's hand were “rays” (*qarnayim*, which normally means “horns”), and it reminds us of the hands of our Redeemer, pierced for the sins of the world. The word “splendor” is perfect to describe the radiance of God's presence (Exodus 19:16-19; Psalm 18:8-12). The clouds and darkness on Mount Sinai were also present with the intense fire of God's radiance. Verse 4 ends with the phrase “there His power was hidden,” which provokes different interpretations. If we see this as a picture of redemption, that which would be hidden would be the flesh that was used to cover the glory of God when He appeared as Jesus Christ.