

"And the Lord answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it." ¶ It's an important thing, you see -- God says I'm going to stress this. Now, you write it and get it clearly in mind what is coming is vital. ¶ "For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry." God ~~is~~ says, God's purposes are going to be fulfilled fulfilled, and if they don't seem to be right now, don't decide that things are going to continue as they are. You can't exhaust the patience of the Almighty in two minutes. You can't declare that the Lord has got to do something right away, but God will work out His own purposes in His own time, but ~~will~~ they will definitely be worked out. The vision will come, though it come wait for it, because it will surely come, it will not tarry. ¶ ~~Behold-Him~~ ¶ "Behold, his soul which is lifted up (these haughty Chaldeans) is not upright in Him." God is going to punish ~~them~~ them in His own time. He will punish ~~them~~ them as individuals in the life to come. He will punish the nation-~~in~~ during the course of this earth. He will work out ~~his~~ His justice. You don't have to worry about it. Though it tarry wait for it. It will surely come. His soul which is lifted up is not upright in Him, but as for you, He said, the just shall live by ~~faith~~ his faith. Quoted by Paul in Romans, quoted by Paul in Galatians, quoted in the book of Hebrews: the just shall live by faith. And there is a great meaning to this in the context of Habakkuk, far beyond what we get from the words by themselves.

¶ There is a little ambiguity that is here translated faith and the ambiguity does not cause ~~this~~ difficulty or misunderstanding but increases our understanding of the word, because ~~this~~ word in the Hebrew has two different meanings ~~this~~ which are closely related. One is faithfulness, and the other is trust, and it depends which way you look at it. The just shall live by his faith. How will the just live? He will live by the faithfulness of God. It is the dependability and the faithfulness of God which the just can depend upon and