

The prophet Habakkuk predicted the fall of Judah to the ruthless Babylonians, a time of devastation and captivity. In the midst of his discouragement and complaints, he went on to say: "Even when we have lost it all, I will rejoice in the Lord and be joyful in the God of my salvation." He was saying: "All these negative things will happen, but I am not giving away my joy. In this trouble, I am going to be joyful, for I know salvation is coming." Salvation means "deliverance, breakthrough, abundance, healing". He was expecting God's goodness. That joy is what gave him the strength to stand strong and come through the difficulties.

When the enemy brings trouble, he expects you to fall apart, lose hope, complain, blame people, and give up on your dreams. If you are going to reach your true potential, you need to have a "But God!" and "yet faith" attitude. Declare: "Even though I have had this setback, this person did me wrong, this didn't work out, yet will I rejoice in the God of my salvation." If you have lost your joy, get it back. Keep your joy, because then Satan cannot defeat you.

Habakkuk 3:17-18 "Even though the fig trees have no blossoms, and there are no grapes on the vines; even though the olive crop fails...yet I will rejoice in the LORD! I will be joyful in the God of my salvation!"