

# **The Justification Of God** Theodicy in Habakkuk



How Long, O LORD? Preacher: Jason Tarn

Sunday, November 6, 2022 | 9:15am - 10:30am

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## ENGLISH WORSHIP SERVICE

9:15 AM – 10:30 AM Welcome & Call to Worship Recitation of the Lord's Prayer Worship in Song Offertory Pastoral Prayer Scripture Reading, *Habakkuk 1:1-2:1* Worship in the Word, Pastor Jason Tarn "How Long, O LORD?" - <u>Sermon Outline</u> Worship in Song Confession of Sin Assurance of Pardon Lord's Supper Benediction & Doxology

#### Communion

We partake in the Lord's Supper together to remember the price Christ paid to restore us onto a relationship with God and anticipate Christ's return.

## **UPCOMING SERMON SCHEDULE**

God in the Dock November 13 | Habakkuk 2:1-20 | Henry Ow Yet I Will Wait November 20 | Habakkuk 3:1-19 | Jason Tarn Chosen for Adoption November 27 | Ephesians 1:3-6 | Jason Tarn Pure Religion December 4 | James 1:27 | Fred Tow



ONLINE Sermon notes and video recordings can be found here: hcc.lv/sermons



## ENGLISH ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Join us for Sunday School classes at 11:00am -12:15pm. Jesus calls us to be disciples, workers, and leaders. Our teaching ministry aims to produce believers who are committed to the call of Jesus.

New Testament Survey (Part 1 of 3) | *Trailer* 412/414 Systematic Theology Survey (Part 1 of 3) | *Rm*Old Testament Survey (Part 4 of 6) | *Trailer*Family Life: Senior Care | *Rm*

## LUNCH PREPARATION

Aihua Fellowship (this week) Cambridge Fellowship (next week)

#### The Justification of God: Theodicy in Habakkuk How Long, O LORD? Habakkuk 1:1-2:1

Why does God allow evil to persist and evildoers to prosper? That question has pestered people since ancient times – leading many to question the goodness of God or doubt his mere existence. But the prophet Habakkuk demonstrates how you can still live by faith even as you wrestle with the apparent disconnect between God's character in the Word and God's (in)action in the world.

1. Man's perennial complaint (vv2-4)

2. God's perplexing answer (vv5-11)

3. Justice's appalling instrument (vv12-17)

## **UPCOMING EVENTS & ACTIVITIES**

**General Membership Meeting** | *TODAY! Nov 6* | *12:30 pm* | *Sanctuary (in-person only)* Last week, we did not meet quorum for the General Membership Meeting. Please attend our meeting today at 12:30 pm, which will be held to affirm deacon/elder nominees for 2023-2024 and the Building Project Master Plan. We will vote on: "I support the master plan proposal that the HCC Council recommends to address the facility needs related to the vision. This is with the understanding that, after a fundraising campaign is launched and its status is evaluated, appropriate adjustments can be made to the master plan proposal as necessary." If we do not meet quorum this week, we will meet for a third time next Sunday (11/12).

**Post-Sabbatical Dinner** | *Fri, Nov 11* | *6:00 - 7:00 pm* | *Chapel* | *hcc.lv/Nov11Dinner* Please join us for dinner before our 11/11 English Membership Meeting. Pastor Jason will share about his sabbatical trip; dinner will be provided free courtesy of Pastor Jason's sabbatical grant, but you must RSVP by TODAY at *hcc.lv/Nov11Dinner*. All congregations are welcome to join (English, Mandarin, & Cantonese). We look forward to seeing you there!

#### English Membership Meeting | Fri, Nov 11 | 7:00 - 8:45 pm | Sanctuary

Join us for our English Membership Meeting on Friday, November 11th at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. Childcare will be available for ages 3 and under. If you need childcare for ages 4+ or would like to help watch kids ages 4 through 5th grade, please email <u>englishadmin@hcchome.org</u>. Childcare for ages 4 through 5th grade will depend on the availability of volunteers, and pre-registration is required.

#### World Vision Chosen Project | Sun, Nov 27 | Lobby

HCC is partnering with World Vision through "Chosen" child sponsorship to support children and families in Vietnam for \$39 a month. We invite you to prepare your hearts and pray about your participation. We are recruiting volunteers to assist with sign-up in the lobby on 11/27, 12/4, and 12/11. To volunteer, please contact *Amy* at <u>1goodpet@gmail.com</u>.

**SAVE THE DATE! Public Theology Lectures: On Christianity and the Arts** | *Sat, Dec 3rd* PTLs this Fall will focus on Christianity and the Arts. Lectures will be held every first Saturday of the month in the sanctuary. Save the date for our next PTL with Prof Carlos Canul, Director of the HCU Fine Arts Museum, on how to appreciate the fine arts as Christians.

## SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

#### **IN OUR CHURCH:** Calling All Drivers!

We need volunteers to serve by driving students to and from Rice campus on Sunday mornings so they can attend Sunday worship with us! If you can help, please contact *Dingding Ye* at <u>dy32@</u> <u>rice.edu</u> or meet in the lobby after Sunday School!

#### IN OUR COMMUNITY: Care Package Assembly | Fri, Nov 11 | 8:45 pm | Lobby

After English Membership Meeting on 11/11, we will be assembling care packages together in the lobby. Care packages include socks, water, snacks, and other items that may help people asking for assistance at street corners. Join us after the meeting to help put these together!

## **CHURCH NOTICES**

#### Now Hiring: Full-Time Chinese Administrative Assistant

HCC is now hiring a full-time Chinese Administrative Assistant to work on the Chinese bulletin, translate announcements, and handle other administrative tasks. Fluency in verbal/written Mandarin is required. If interested, please send a resume and cover letter to *pastorsearch@ hcchome.org* or check out *hcc.lv/opportunities* for more details.

## HCC KIDS

#### Wellness Policy

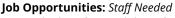
Parents, please observe the HCC Wellness Policy for Children: Any child who is sick or exhibits symptoms (including vomiting, fever with the last 24 hours, sore throat, colored runny nose, COVID-19, or other contagious disease) will not be admitted to the Nursery or HCC Kids programs. For a complete list of symptoms, contact *Mr. Frank* at *frankt@hcchome.org* 

HOUSTON CHINESE CHURCH FACTS & FIGURES LAST SUNDAY'S ATTENDANCE AND FINANCIAL SUMMARY FOR OCTOBER 30, 2022 HCC WORSHIP PEARLAND WORSHIP								
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#### Listen to Sermons Online

Missed a sermon, or want to review? Feel free to check out our YouTube channel (HCC Worship) or stream our sermons on Apple Podcasts and Spotify.



We are looking for candidates for the following positions to work at HCC:

- Chinese Administrative Assistant (full-time)
- IT Coordinator (part-time)
- Nursery Caregiver (part-time)

For PCC Campus, we are looking for a full-time **Youth Minister**. Email <u>pastorsearch@hcchome.org</u> to apply or find out more at <u>hcc.lv/opportunities</u>

#### Staff Itinerary

Stanley Chang: Father-Son Retreat, 11/11-13



#### PRAYER

Join us as we pray for our long term workers in this month's Global Outreach Spotlight: <u>hcc.lv/GoPrayNov22</u>



#### COVID PROTOCOL Green Zone: Low Risk

Masks are welcome. Continue to self-isolate if positive for COVID-19, and stay up to date on vaccines/ boosters.

## **ABOUT US**

#### **COVID Church Facilities Update**

HCC welcomes everyone to our indoor worship and activities. Check: <u>hcc.lv/covid</u> for the most updated protocols. For more info contact us at: <u>hccoffice@hcchome.org</u> New or Visiting HCC?

#### If you are a newcomer or visitor we would love to connect you with our church community! Take a moment to fill out our Vistor's Welcome form: <u>hcc.lv/Welcome</u> OR stop by our welcome desk in the lobby for a gift. We will contact you with on ways to connect with our community!

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Please submit English bulletin announcements and inserts to Elise Tan at <u>englishadmin@</u> <u>hcchome.org</u> by Wednesday noon for approval. Any announcements received after Wednesday at noon will be put in next week's bulletin.