

## **Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4**

1<sup>st</sup> Scripture Reading for November 2, 2025

*(found on pages 871 and 872 of the Old Testament in our pew Bibles)*

- 1 The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.
- 2 O Lord, how long shall I cry for help,  
and you will not listen?  
Or cry to you ‘Violence!’  
and you will not save?
- 3 Why do you make me see wrongdoing  
and look at trouble?  
Destruction and violence are before me;  
strife and contention arise.
- 4 So the law becomes slack  
and justice never prevails.  
The wicked surround the righteous—  
therefore judgement comes forth perverted.
- 1 I will stand at my watch-post,  
and station myself on the rampart;  
I will keep watch to see what he will say to me,  
and what he will answer concerning my complaint.
- 2 Then the Lord answered me and said:  
Write the vision;  
make it plain on tablets,  
so that a runner may read it.
- 3 For there is still a vision for the appointed time;  
it speaks of the end, and does not lie.  
If it seems to tarry, wait for it;  
it will surely come, it will not delay.
- 4 Look at the proud!  
Their spirit is not right in them,  
but the righteous live by their faith.