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ISAIAH 55:8 For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the LORD.

HABAKKUK 1:12 Are You not from everlasting, O LORD my God, my Holy One? We shall not die. O LORD, You have appointed them for judgment; O Rock, You have marked them for correction.¹³You are of purer eyes than to behold evil, And cannot look on wickedness. Why do You look on those who deal treacherously, And hold Your tongue when the wicked devours A person more righteous than he?





WHEN GOD TARRIES

HABAKKUK 2:1 I will stand my watch And set myself on the rampart, And watch to see what He will say to me, And what I will answer when I am corrected.²Then the LORD answered me and said: "Write the vision And make it plain on tablets, That he may run who reads it.³For the vision is yet for an appointed time; But at the end it will speak, and it will not lie. Though it tarries, wait for it; Because it will surely come, It will not tarry."