

Gospel Community Study Questions

Habakkuk | Arrogant heads to worshipful hearts (Habakkuk 1:12-2-1)

Key Passages: Habakkuk 1:12-2-1

Big Idea: Seeing our smallness in light of God's greatness leads us to a place of comfort and security.

Read Read Habakkuk 1:12 - 2:1

In this week's passage Habakuk brings another complaint to God but wrapped up in his questioning, he is actually uncovering the sure foundation on which he stands, the unchanging character of God.

Discuss

In verses 14-16 Habakkuk questions God's use of the Babylonians in judging Judah, reminding God of their barbaric reputation. Read these verses again and use this time to share whether or not you still have questions about God's role in these events (and any other time we've seen something similar in human history).

Habakkuk is audacious in his questioning of God as he metaphorically points this finger at him in verses 12-13, 17 and 2:1. Read Psalm 9:5, Psalm 103:15 and Job 38:4 and discuss how being reminded of our smallness compared to God can actually be a great help in life's struggles.

Despite his complaint, Habakkuk, perhaps without knowing, reminds himself of God's character in v12 - a foundation of truth that he can stand on. Take some time to talk through how each of theses characteristics can help us when we are in a time of need.

- God's eternality (Are you not from everlasting v12)
- God's holiness (O Lord my God, my Holy One v12),
- God's faithfulness (We shall not die v12),
- God's sovereignty (O Lord, you have ordained them, v12)
- God's steadfastness (O Rock, v12)

Pray

Habakkuk ends his complaint in 2:1 with a commitment to watch and wait for God's answer. Spend some time praising God together for who He is and then individually committing your needs to God trusting that he will bring what you need.

What's next

Next week we'll be taking a week out of Habakkuk to learn about how we can build a culture of prayer at Liberti Church.

Helpful resources: Christ Centred exposition - Habakkuk (by Eric Redmond) thebibleproject.com