

HABAKKUK

A 5 Day Bible Study



DAY 1

Read Habakkuk 1:1-17

- As Habakkuk observed the world around him, he brought his questions to the Lord. What did he ask in 1:2-4? Why was he so bothered? (also see Jer 12:1)

- What was God's answer to Habakkuk's concerns (1:5-11)? Do you think this is what Habakkuk was expecting to hear?

- After describing the strength and brutality of the Babylonians (Chaldeans), what was God's summary of their heart condition (1:11)? Why is this so dangerous? (see Prov 8:13, 16:5)

- From 1:12-17, list reasons Habakkuk struggled with God's solution to the problem.

*What questions come to mind as you consider the world around you?
Stop now and bring them to the Lord.*

Read Habakkuk 2:1-5

1. *Looking* or *watching* is a theme in this book. What actions did Habakkuk take in 2:1, and what posture of his heart do you perceive? (also see Ps 27:13-14)
2. Record God's instructions and promises in verses 2-3.
3. Why is it so hard to wait? What is the benefit of waiting? (also see Ps 130:5-7, Isa 30:18)
4. Two types of people are contrasted in 2:4. Describe the first and what he can expect.
5. A major biblical theme is stated at the end of verse 4. What do the following passages teach?

Genesis 15:6

Romans 1:16-17

Galatians 3:6-11

Hebrews 10:36-39

What do you think living by faith meant for Habakkuk? What does it mean for you?

Read Habakkuk 2:5-20

1. Habakkuk was to write down a series of woes against the Babylonians. Summarize the sins denounced and the consequences they would bring.

	<u>Evil Committed</u>	<u>Consequence expected</u>
Woe #1 (2:6-8)		
Woe #2 (2:9-11)		
Woe #3 (2:12-14)		
Woe #4 (2:15-17)		
Woe #5 (2:18-20)		

2. Read verse 20 again. After stating the woes upon evil, why is silence the appropriate response?

Set a timer and spend 5 minutes in complete silence before the Lord. Record your impressions.

Read Habakkuk 3:17-19

1. Summarize in your own words Habakkuk's declaration in these verses.
2. Habakkuk's outlook had changed from the beginning of chapter 1. To what do you attribute this shift?
3. As he awaited the imminent attack from Babylon, how did Habakkuk resist fear or despair?
4. Write your own song of commitment to faith following Habakkuk's example.

Though...

Yet I will....

What does it mean in practical terms to rely on God's strength even when life is crumbling around you?

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