

Habakkuk

Habakkuk 1-3

Introduction:

- The prophet —
- The book —

Habakkuk's 1st Complaint: How can God see _____ and not act to bring _____?

God's Answer: _____!

Habakkuk's 2nd Complaint:

1. God's _____ Nature

2. Can _____ men continue to perpetrate cruelty _____ with no divine judgment?

3. Habakkuk's _____

God's Answer: Five _____

1. The _____ will be plundered (v6b-8)
2. The _____ shame from _____ gain (9-11)
3. The _____ of bloodshed and crime, instead the glory of YHWH will ultimately rule (12-14)
4. The experience of _____ for exploitation (15-17)

5. The _____ of idolatry (18-19)

2:4 "but the _____ shall live by his _____."

Habakkuk's Response: A _____ of Praise

BIG IDEA: In the midst of my difficult _____, despite my view of _____, I will hold on to the _____ and _____ of God.

Discussion Questions:

1. *Where do we see evil or wickedness winning the day?*
2. *What are some promises of God that relate to those areas where we see evil and wickedness?*
3. *Read Psalm 77. Discuss how the psalmist's and Habakkuk's attitudes are similar/different? What does the psalmist cite that is similar/different than Habakkuk?*
4. *Why do you think God ridicules and exposes idolatry so often (see Hab. 1:11, 16, 2:18-19)? Do we ever trust in "idols"? How?*
5. *What are some things God has promised that we must be patient in waiting for? (see Hab. 2:1-3)*