

Getting to Know God

Habakkuk 1-3

Trusting A Sovereign God When
Things Don't Make Sense

Habakkuk - 3 Chapters

Habakkuk means
“Embraced by God”

Time of Ministry 612-589 BC
(Written shortly before Daniel is
taken captive by Babylon.)

Set in the Southern Kingdom
of Israel - Judah

**Habakkuk isn't about
him being sent to people
telling them to repent.**

**It's a discussion
between Habakkuk and
God.**

Habakkuk 1:2-3

How long, Lord, must I call for help?
Or cry out to you, “Violence!”, but you do
not save?

Why must you make me look at injustice?

Why do you tolerate wrongdoing?

Destruction and violence are before me;
there is strife and conflict abounds.

Therefore the law is paralyzed, and
justice never prevails.

The wicked hem in the righteous, so that
justice is perverted.

Habakkuk 1:5

Look at the nations and
watch and be utterly
amazed. For I am going
to do something in your
days that you would
not believe, even if you
were told.

Habakkuk 1:6

I am raising up the
Babylonians, that ruthless and
impetuous people, who sweep
across the whole earth to
seize dwellings not their own.
They are a feared and dreaded
people; they are a law unto
themselves and promote their
own honor.

Habakkuk 1:12-13

Lord, are you not from everlasting?

My God, my Holy one, You will
never die. You, Lord, have
appointed them to execute
judgement; you, my Rock, have
ordained them to punish. Your
eyes are too pure to look on evil;
you cannot tolerate wrongdoing.
Why then do you tolerate the
treacherous?

Jeremiah 12:1

You are always
righteous, O Lord,
when I bring a case
before you. Yet I would
speak with you about
your judgements.

Psalm 42:9

I will say to God, my
rock, “Why have you
forgotten me? Why
must I go about
mourning, oppressed
by the enemy?”

God is a big god and
can handle big
questions.

But He is not
obligated to give us
answers.

Life is filled with unanswered questions and why's.

We can get hung up on the why's or we can choose to believe that God is good and choose to trust Him even when it doesn't always make sense to us.







When things around us don't make sense, we can get stuck in a cycle of going over the why's over and over again.

Or we can choose to trust and believe that God is good and that He knows what He is doing.

Habakkuk 2:2-4

Write down the revelation and make it plain on tablets, so that a herald may run with it. For the revelation awaits an appointed time; it speaks of the end and will not prove false. Though it linger, wait for it; it will certainly come and will not delay.

See the enemy is puffed
up; his desires are not
upright -
but the righteous person
will live by his faithfulness.

***The just shall live by faith!**

2 Corinthians 5:7

**For we walk by faith,
not by sight.**

**We have a tendency
to think that love
should equal comfort.**

God equates our love
for Him with our
willingness to trust
Him.

Hebrews 11:6

And without faith it is
impossible to please
God.

Psalm 18:2

The Lord is my rock, my
fortress, and my deliverer;
my God is my rock, in
whom I take refuge, my
shield and the horn of my
salvation, my stronghold.

Habakkuk 2:20

**The Lord is in his holy
temple; let all earth
be silent before him.**

Psalm 5:11

**Let all who trust in
You rejoice.**

Habakkuk 3:2

Lord, I have heard of your
fame; I stand in awe of
your deeds, Lord.

Repeat them in our day,
in our time make them
known.

Habakkuk 3:17-19

Though the fig tree does
not bud and there are no
grapes on the vines,
though the olive crop fails
and the fields produce no
food, though there are no
sheep in the pen and no
cattle in the stalls,

Yet, I will rejoice in the
Lord, I will be joyful in
God my Savior.

The Sovereign Lord is
my strength.

1. God can handle our big questions.

2. There comes a point where we need to choose whether we cling to the why's or move forward in trusting God.

3. Trusting God leads to peace and rejoicing.

