

SERMON APPLICATION GUIDE

Habakkuk 1:1-2:20

Ice Breaker: What aspect of this crisis feels most disrupting to you? Where have you seen God working in this global crisis?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. Why does Habakkuk complain to God? What are the specifics of his complaint? Have you ever complained to God and asked, “How long”? What was the circumstance in which you asked God this question?
2. Is it a sin to complain to God? Why or why not? What makes a complaint righteous or unrighteous? (See Psalm 13 & 42 & for examples of biblical complaints/laments)
3. How does God respond to Habakkuk’s complaint? How do you make sense of God’s answer? What do we learn about God from His response to Habakkuk?
4. Habakkuk does not particularly care for or understand God’s answer. What aspects of God’s character does Habakkuk call upon in his second complaint? What does Habakkuk commit to do in chapter 2 verse 1?
5. What is the difference between doubting God and waiting to understand His purposes? Can you think of examples of both in the Scriptures and in your own life?
6. In chapter 2:4, God says to Habakkuk that the “righteous shall live by faith.” What does this mean and what does it look like practically in our day as we wait on God? What is the opposite of living by faith in times of uncertainty?
7. What does God promise in chapter 2:8-19? How does this comfort us in our own day of trouble?
8. What idols (2:18-19) are being exposed in our own hearts during this time of crisis?
9. What do we learn about God in these chapters? How does the holiness of God change the way we view our suffering?

Note: Please take time this week to share your prayer requests on the [Prayer Wall](#) and pray for those in need. If you are in need, you can request assistance [here](#).

Further Resources

- [*Dark Clouds, Deep Mercy*](#) by Mark Vroegop
- [*Walking with God Through Pain and Suffering*](#) by Tim Keller
- [*Christ-Centered Exposition: Jonah, Micah, Nahum, Habakkuk*](#) by Eric Redmond