

Habakkuk 1:12-17 – Habakkuk’s second complaint

Objective: What do you do when you are in a “crisis of belief?”

- If you could live in the past or in the future, which time period would you choose?
- What is your greatest fear about the future?

Read v.12

- Why was Habakkuk, the prophet, completely confused?
- Has there been a time when you received some news you wanted to change?
- Henry Blackaby wrote about what he called a “crisis of belief.” Describe a time when, like Habakkuk, you experienced a crisis of belief. What did you do or what are you doing?
- What do you know about God that you are absolutely sure of? What are you not so sure of?
- Have you ever been in a situation where you thought you knew something about God only to have it questioned? What did you do? Did you change the way you look at God? Did you research it? Did you quit?

Read v.13

- Have you ever compared yourself to someone else? What did you do?
- Do you believe God loves some people more than others?
- Can you express simultaneous faith and questions? Mark 9:14-26

Read v.14-17

- Has there ever been a time you just felt absolutely helpless?
- If you could advise God to do something differently what would you say?

What I will be talking about

God decides to tell Habakkuk His plans, which rarely happens. It’s like running into the police station and saying “my neighborhood is filled with violence and all types of crime” and so we run to the police station searching for justice and we tell them our plight and they respond by saying that a plan is already in place and that plan will be the dropping of a tactical nuclear warhead over the neighborhood to destroy it. What? All we want to hear is that I understand I’ll send a patrol car over for the next couple of weeks and start community watch groups. No, I live there – So? Can’t you just pick and choose the ones who are bad and get them out? Nope. We need to run to God in prayer and speak to Him. We need to run to Him with our complaints, with what we are troubled with. We need to start with what we know about God to be true and work to what we are confused or upset about. You see God is unchanging. He is expecting you to come to Him and cry out to Him. We know some about who He is and what He can do but do we really know everything?