

The Lament of Habakkuk

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Remember: you do not have to do the entire study (you may not have time) – you can choose what questions you want to discuss.

Read Habakkuk 1 and 2

1. What is wrong with ascribing everything that happens in the world to the “will of God”?
2. What did Habakkuk do when he saw things happening that he didn't like?
3. What specifically did he complain about?
4. What do you want to complain to God about? Where do you see injustice and suffering most in the world at the moment?
5. What is the purpose of lament? How is lament an appropriate response to our questions about God's purpose for the world?
6. What is Habakkuk's response to God's response?
7. What is God really thinking about regarding injustice? What does he plan to do about it?
8. What kind of response to injustice is Habakkuk looking for?
9. What has God already done to combat injustice? How has he already shown himself to be wholly on the side of the poor and oppressed?
10. What do we see in the life of Jesus that reinforces this?
11. Where is God calling you to stand up against injustice and show solidarity with those in need?

Prayer points:

- Continue to pray for the situation in Israel/Palestine and in the Ukraine, and the people affected by these conflicts.
- Pray for the people of Papua New Guinea.
- Pray for the third family from Afghanistan that has now arrived. Pray for them, especially the children, as they begin to settle in to life here.