The Earth will be Filled with the Glory of God Habakkuk 2:12-20

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As the kingdom of Judah sinks deeper into sin and closer to exile, God reveals to Habakkuk that He will use Babylon as an instrument of judgement against Judah. However, God will also be faithful to judge Babylon for their wickedness. From Habakkuk 2:6-20, God pronounces 5 "woes" against the nation of Babylon. These "woes" serve as warnings to us who find ourselves in the same patterns of sin as the evil empire of Babylon. Within these warnings of judgement, God reveals that while every empire and idol will fall, He will fill the earth with His glory and be worshiped in His holy temple.

I. Woe to the Self-Promoting (vv.12-14)

- A. God will turn your civilization to devastation (v.12)
- B. God will fill the earth with His glory (v.14)

II. Woe to the Self-Indulgent (vv.15-17)

A. God will turn your glory into shame (v.16)

III. Woe to the Self-Worshipping (vv.18-20)

- **A.** God will expose your idols as lifeless and worthless (vv.18-19)
- **B.** God will be worshipped in His holy temple (v.20)

FOR NEXT TIME—Read Proverbs 31:10-31, Honoring Mom

TO DISCUSS WITH FAMILY OR FRIENDS:

- 1. In what ways can we be self-promoting, self-indulgent, or self-worshipping?
- 2. Have you ever seen people "get a taste of their own medicine" or "fall into their own traps"? How should the judgement that fell on Babylon serve as warning for us?
- 3. How does the fact that God will fill the earth with His glory change your mindset about life? Does it change how you want to live?
- 4. What idols do people worship today? In what ways are they powerless and foolish compared to God?
- 5. What does God reveal to Habakkuk (and us) about Himself in Habakkuk 2:12-20?
- 6. How can you apply Habakkuk 2:12-20 in the coming month?