*SERMON NOTES*

Questions: A Study in the Book of Habakkuk

**The Waiting Place**

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As the book begins, Habakkuk is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for God to answer his prayer.

Habakkuk first \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_about what he observes in Israel: the law is neglected, violence and injustice are all around, and the corrupt rulers are leading people away from God.

God’s answers Habakkuk’s prayer by telling him He will use the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to punish Israel for this wrongdoing.

This word from God was deeply \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for Habakkuk to hear: How could God use a much eviler nation to punish Israel’s sin?

Habakkuk is now forced to reconcile what he knows to be true about \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (his love, character, goodness, etc.) with what He has just told him will happen.

God responds to Habakkuk by showing him He will bring justice to any who reject Him and that His punishments and graces always have a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and time in His \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_will.

Habakkuk’s reflection on these truths cause him to consider God’s deliverance of Israel from Egypt in the first Exodus and looks forward to a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ exodus of deliverance from the suffering and sin in the world.

In this new resolve, Habakkuk is determined to live by \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ as he \_\_\_\_\_\_ for the Lord’s justice and relief to come.

In seasons of waiting for God to answer our prayer, we \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ourselves of God’s love for us in the cross and the ultimate deliverance of the resurrection.

The future exodus in Habakkuk is our reminder we are not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in seasons of waiting and we can still trust in God’s plan, purposes, power, His goodness and His ultimate work to right all the wrongs.

***Blanks:*** *waiting; prays; Babylonians; troublesome; God; purpose & perfect; future; faith; waits; remind; forgotten.*