

Habakkuk | Wrestling with our Why's and How's 08.20.23

START TALKING | (Find a conversation starter for your group)

Has there ever been a time where you felt like you were face to face with pure evil? What happened?

START EXPLORING | (Read the Bible)

Read Habakkuk 1:5, 2:3-4, and 3:17-19

START SHARING | (Choose a question to create openness)

Question #1: Why aren't you (God) listening?

- Think about your life (past or present). Have there been times you have questioned if God was even there?
 - What was your situation?

Question #2: How can you (God) allow evil?

One of the most common questions we hear is, "If God is all powerful, all knowing, all good, why is there suffering and evil?"

- What are some typical responses you have heard to this question?
- 1. Bring them to God.
 - Think back to a time you doubted God. How did you get over these doubts? What did you do?
- 2. Wait patiently for answers.
 - What has it looked like in your own life to wait for God to answer in His own way?
- 3. Fall back on what you do know.
 - What are some great ways you can remind yourself of God when you feel discouraged?
- 4. Trust Him no matter what. (Verbalize your commitment)
 - What makes it hard to trust God in certain circumstances?
- 5. Worship through it.

Christians have always believed God is taking us somewhere better.

• Has there been a time in your life when despite the struggles/challenges to get there, God took you to a better place?



Start Praying. (Be bold and pray with power)

How can this group be praying for you this week?

Start Doing. (Commit to a step, and live it out this week)

Go back through the questions and journal your responses.