

“GOD, ARE YOU SURE?”

SERMON NOTES

Habakkuk 1:12-2:1

Habakkuk is trying to comprehend:

- What he knows to be true about God
- What he knows about the Babylonians
- How God can use evil men/nations for his purposes

1. Habakkuk’s Evaluation – Reviewing Who God Is (vv. 12-13a)

Is v. 12 a question or a statement?

Names of God

Everlasting One

Holy/Sovereign God

Immortal One – What’s the issue here? How should we read it?

Rock/Protector

Amidst the fog of confusion, we need to look for the _____ of God’s character.

2. Habakkuk’s Protection – Rationalizing God & Evil (vv. 12b-17)

God is “pure” or just. What’s the word picture here?

Yet God’s actions seem to be condoning evil

When we wrestle with this issue, how do we react?

3. Habakkuk’s Question – Reconciling Babylon as a Tool of God (vv. 12b-17)

Can God use evil men/nations as his tool?

Habakkuk wrestles with this as he asks question & based on the imagery he uses

Do you put people on a scale & compare your righteousness to theirs?

Psalm 5:5-6

Man is responsible for his choices

What’s the answer?

How might God be using evil men/nations for his purposes today?

4. Habakkuk’s Expectation – Remaining Watchful for God’s Response (vv. 12-13a)

Note Habakkuk’s resolve – “I will” x3

Do we wait and watch or react? We are impatient people. Are we impatient with God?

Psalm 46:10

God calls his people to rest their confidence in him.