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THE OLD TESTAMENT

Leader Conversation Guide – XXXIX: Habakkuk

Main Idea

Life doesn't always make sense, especially when we see injustice, pain, or unanswered prayers. The prophet Habakkuk wrestled honestly with God, asking hard questions about what he was seeing and why God seemed silent. Instead of rebuking him, God met him in the tension—revealing that even when things feel out of control, He is still at work behind the scenes.

This week's message reminded us that faith isn't the absence of questions—it's choosing to trust God in the middle of them. Habakkuk's journey shows us that we can bring our real prayers to God, trust His unseen work, and choose worship even before the breakthrough comes. As we begin our discussion, let's lean into what it means to live by faith, even when we don't understand.

The righteous shall live by his faith.

HABAKKUK 2:4

Make it Practical:

Faith trusts God's character over circumstances.

- 2 Corinthians 5:7

Faith obeys God when you can't see what He's doing.

- Hebrews 11:8

Faith worships before the breakthrough.

- Habakkuk 3:17-19

Talk About It

Habakkuk was honest with God about his frustrations. What does it look like for you to bring your real thoughts and emotions to God?

When have you wrestled with God over something that didn't make sense? What did that process teach you?

Why is it difficult to trust God when His work is not visible? What helps you hold onto faith in those moments?

What does it practically look like to choose worship before you see a breakthrough in your situation?

Faith is choosing God's character over your current reality.

Prayer

Lord, we thank You that You are in control, even when life feels uncertain. Help us to trust Your character above what we see. Give us faith to follow You, patience in the waiting, and hearts that choose worship no matter the circumstances. Remind us that You are our strength and our salvation. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Next Steps

Write down a current struggle and intentionally choose to trust God's character in that area.

Take one step of obedience this week, even if you don't fully understand what God is doing.

Start a daily habit of thanking God for who He is, not just what He does.