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PART
33 *walk through the*
WORD

YET, I WILL REJOICE



Our Mission

“Go and **MAKE DISCIPLES** of all nations,
BAPTIZING them in the name of the
Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
and **TEACHING** them to observe all
I have commanded you.” – *Jesus Christ*



Message Notes

Walk Through The Word - Part 33
“Yet, I Will Rejoice” - Habakkuk 3:1-19

Habakkuk lived in a time when everything around him seemed to be unravelling—spiritual decline within Judah and the growing threat of Babylon from without. Yet in the face of coming captivity, he learned that true joy is found not in changing circumstances, but in resting beneath the sovereign hand of God.

1) Faith _____ with what God is doing – Habakkuk 1

- v.2 “O Lord, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not hear? Or cry to you “Violence!” and you will not save?”
- Faith does not deny our questions; it brings them _____ before the God who sees what we cannot.

2) Faith _____ under the sovereignty of God – Habakkuk 2

- v.3-4 “For still the vision awaits its appointed time; it hastens to the end it will not lie. If it seems slow, wait for it; it will surely come; it will not delay. Behold, his soul is puffed up; it is not upright within him, but the righteous shall live by his faith.”
- When we cannot understand God’s ways, we can still trust His _____ and rest in His rule.

3) Faith _____ because God is enough – Habakkuk 3

- v.17-18 “Though the fig tree should not blossom, nor fruit be on the vines, the produce of the olive fail and the fields yield no food, the flock be cut off from the fold and there be no herd in the stalls, yet I will rejoice in the Lord; I will take joy in the God of my salvation.”
- Our deepest joy is not rooted in what God gives us, but in who God is and the _____ He provides.

Going Deeper

- 1) Have you ever experienced a season when God seemed silent or slow to act? What made it difficult to trust Him during that time?
- 2) Why do you think God sometimes allows His people to wrestle with unanswered questions rather than immediately giving them an explanation?
- 3) God's answer to Habakkuk was not what he expected—the Lord would use Babylon to accomplish His purposes. How should we respond when God's ways do not make sense to us?
- 4) Habakkuk 2:3 says, "If it seems slow, wait for it." What is the difference between simply waiting for circumstances to change and waiting on God in faith?
- 5) "The righteous shall live by his faith" (Habakkuk 2:4). What does living by faith look like practically when circumstances give us little reason for optimism?
- 6) What truths about God's character help you rest under His sovereignty when you cannot understand what He is doing?
- 7) In Habakkuk 3:17–18, the prophet imagines losing virtually every source of security and provision, yet still says, "I will rejoice in the Lord." What makes that kind of joy possible?
- 8) How can we tell whether our joy is primarily rooted in God Himself or in the things we hope God will give us? What circumstances tend to expose the difference?
- 9) What is one situation in your life right now where God may be inviting you to move from wrestling, to resting, to rejoicing? What would trusting Him look like this week?

Looking Ahead

News & Upcoming Events:

- **Kids Summer Drop-In:** Join us Thursdays from 9:30–11:00 am for crafts, games, and summer fun.
- **Age Unlimited:** Wednesday, September 9 meeting at 11:00 am. Ian & Lois will share highlights from their recent Caribbean cruise. Come for fellowship and encouragement. Please sign up at the Welcome Desk.
- **Young Adults:** Wednesday, September 9 at 6:30 pm for ages 18–35. Come for worship, Bible teaching, and fellowship. Childcare not provided. Contact Pastor James for more information.
- **Small Groups:** Resuming in September. Sign-ups will be available in the weeks ahead. Stay tuned for more information!

Connecting With Others:

- **Small Groups:** For details, contact pastorjames@banwellchurch.org
- **Friendship Circle:** Wednesdays at 10:30 am
- **Age Unlimited:** Wednesday, September 9 at 11 am
- **Young Adults:** Wednesday, September 9 at 6:30 pm
- **Kingdom Kids:** Returning this coming September
- **Youth Group:** Returning Friday, September 11 at 6:30 pm
- **Prayer Group:** Returning this coming September
- **Men's Breakfast:** Saturday, September 26 at 8:30 am

For more information on news and events, check out our website, or contact the office.