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Introduction

- Habakkuk's name means to "wrestle" or "embrace"
- It is apt as the book sees the prophet wrestle with observations that bother him greatly
- He boldly brings his questions to God Himself

Habakkuk's First Question to God

– "How come You are doing nothing about the evil I see around me? (Habakkuk 1:2-4)

- Sin, wickedness, destruction and violence, injustice seems to reign today
- All my praying is useless

God's First Response to Habakkuk

– "I am doing something" (Habakkuk 1:5-11)

- I am raising up the Babylonians to teach Judah a lesson
- They are ruthless, lawless, violent and strong and will do a great job administering punishment

Habakkuk's Second Question to God

– "How can you do that?" (Habakkuk 1:12-2:1)

- How can you let the Babylonians punish Judah? They are even worse than us
- I am upset and perplexed – please explain

God's Second Response to Habakkuk

– "I know what I am doing" (Habakkuk 2:2-20)

- I know what I am doing. Those who do wrong will be punished
- Trust me – You be faithful

Habakkuk's Prayer Of Praise

– "I know You are in control" (Habakkuk 3:1-19)

- He acknowledges God's majesty and power
- He promises to trust and wait on the Lord regardless

Conclusion

- Habakkuk began by wrestling with issues and ended embracing God