

# Trusting God No Matter What Notes

Habakkuk 3:17-18

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**Main Point:** Prayers of lament can lead us to praise the Lord.

## Habakkuk

1. Name means \_\_\_\_\_.
2. He had a number of \_\_\_\_\_ for God.
3. The book is unique among the prophets because he didn't speak \_\_\_\_\_ God to the people, but rather spoke to God about his questions.

## Lament

1. Is a prayer of pain that leads to \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Over 1/3 of the Psalms are laments
3. Lamentations and Habakkuk are full of lament.

## When Pain Keeps You from Praising

1. \_\_\_\_\_ your questions (1:2-3).
  - He is charging God with loafing on the job, being indifferent, and \_\_\_\_\_.
  - The root word of *question* is the word \_\_\_\_\_.
  - If you are on a quest to understand and serious about seeking answers, then don't hesitate to declare your \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Describe your \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Habakkuk didn't think it was fair for God to use wicked people like the Babylonians to punish God's people.
3. Deepen your \_\_\_\_\_ to God.
  - Habakkuk is ready to hear God's answer, even though he is not going to \_\_\_\_\_ what He has to say.
  - The Lord has him focus on one thing – living by \_\_\_\_\_ (2:4, 1:17, Galatians 3:11, Hebrews 10:38).

## Moving from Pain to Praise

1. \_\_\_\_\_ (3:2-4).
  - God is majestic, merciful, powerful, and personal.
  - Often God doesn't answer the *when* and *why* questions because the answer is really the \_\_\_\_\_ – God Himself.
2. \_\_\_\_\_ (3:5-15).
  - Habakkuk reviews God's \_\_\_\_\_ work in history.
  - When we review, we discover God is doing much \_\_\_\_\_ than we thought.
3. \_\_\_\_\_ (3:16-17)

- He decided to rest in God’s timing even though he didn’t like what was \_\_\_\_\_.
  - “Wait quietly” means to rest patiently and \_\_\_\_\_ (Psalm 130:5).
4. \_\_\_\_\_ (3:17)
- God often uses painful events like pandemics to get our \_\_\_\_\_.
  - “Though” can mean “when.”
  - Figs were \_\_\_\_\_ food.
  - Fruit represented their possessions.
  - Olives were the source of \_\_\_\_\_.
  - “Fails” means to be disappointed.
5. \_\_\_\_\_ (3:18).
- Disappointment does not have to lead to despair.
  - Habakkuk \_\_\_\_\_ to rejoice in the God who saved him.
  - When I can’t rejoice in my situation, I can always rejoice in my \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Pray Psalm 85:6.
6. \_\_\_\_\_ (3:19)
- God gives us the \_\_\_\_\_ of Himself.
  - When we rely on God, we go from grieving to believing.
  - The way to get out from under the load is to get under the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - We are called to live by \_\_\_\_\_, not explanations.

### Implications

1. Don’t \_\_\_\_\_ your quarantine.
2. Praise must become \_\_\_\_\_ (3:18).