

## **Dig Deeper @Home – “Confronting Unheavenly Realities” Complement to lesson on 03/07/21 – “The God of Might”**

### **ICE BREAKER – Questions to open dialogue and learn more about those gathered**

1. Share a “believe it or not” fact from your life story. Something that happened or that you did that others would be amazed to believe.
2. What is one thing you are asking God for that you are struggling to trust Him with or finding it hard to deal with his answer?

### **MEMORIZE – Habakkuk 3: 17-19**

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. GOD, the Lord, is my strength; he makes my feet like the deer’s; he makes me tread on high places

### **READ Habakkuk 1: 5-11**

#### **Questions to ponder/discuss:**

1. What sticks out to you in this passage? What did you like? What didn’t you like?
2. What general observations can you make? Anything repeated, contrasted, or compared? What do you notice?
3. What is this passage revealing about God? About us as humans?
4. Summarize in your own words what God’s answer is to the complaint that Habakkuk is making in Habakkuk 1: 2-4. What words are used in vs. 5 which show how Habakkuk is to respond?
5. What do you think was God’s purpose in using ungodly Babylon (Chaldeans) to punish Israel? What is God going to use them for? (vs. 11). What lesson do we learn about God from this passage? (cf. Isaiah 55:8-9, Genesis 50:20).
6. What is the difference between doubting God and waiting to understand God’s purposes?

### **Experiential activity – “Look, See, and be Astounded”**

The Lord invited Habakkuk to look and see and be astounded. (vs. 5) It is an exercise God invited Habakkuk into to observe and look for God in the circumstances and happenings which seemed difficult to bear or understand. As an exercise in the week ahead, ask God to enable you to intentionally look, see and wonder at what you observe in God’s creation, in the people you meet along the way, in the life circumstances you will face in the week ahead. As you do so, write them down. Share these “God sightings” with your friends or family members. You may find yourself being astounded at the ways you have been able to see God at work.

**SING** (Suggested songs to sing. Use these, or any favorites of the gathered group, to worship Jesus!)

Way Maker <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=29lxnsqOkmQ>

Take Courage <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LJoABwNMzvM>

God of Grace and God of Glory (Mennonite Hymnal #434)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LYaJ1CYbn1c>

### **PRAY**

This is a time to gather around for prayer requests and to share how you have seen God at work. A time to hear where God is showing up in our lives and where we need Him to help us in our lives.

### **Sending prayer based on the lesson:**

As you go forward into these next days, take hold of the words Jesus spoke to the Apostle Paul when he was struggling with what God was doing in his life. Jesus said, “My grace is sufficient for you for my POWER, my might, is made perfect in your weakness.” (2 Corinthians 12:9) May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all as you go to love and serve the Lord.