

A study in Habakkuk – Unshakeable Faith in God.

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Hab 1:1-4 Where are you God – show yourself!

Hab:5-11 – **Tough love** – God doesn't always make sense.

“For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord. As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts higher than your thoughts.”
Isaiah 55:8,9

Our God is a God who knows what is best for us:-

“My son, do not make light of the Lords discipline,
and do not lose heart when he rebukes you,
because the Lord disciplines those he loves,
and he punishes everyone he accepts as a son.” – *Heb 12:6*

also – *Deut 8:5, Prov 3:12 & Heb 12:10*

Luke 7:23 – “Blessed is the man who does not fall away on account of me”

Hab 2:2-20 – **Justice will Prevail**

There are 5 reasons the Babylonians will incur Gods wrath:-

1. material greed (2:6-8)
2. feathering your own nest. (2:9-11)
3. cruelty and bloodshed (2:12-14)
4. drunkenness (2:15-17)
5. idolatry. (2:18-20)

Hab 2:4 – “the righteous will live by his faith”.

Faith here speaks of consistent living and faithfulness.
See also:- *Rom 1:16,17, Gal 3:11, Heb 10:38,39.*

Unconditional love for God.

- Gods love for us is unconditional, what conditions are on our love for God?
- What would it take for you to give up being faithful to God?

Hab 3:2 Learn to stand on the knowledge of God, don't be knocked by the circumstances around.
Build you house on the rock of the word of God. (*Mat 7:24-27*)

Hab 3:12,13 – Gods heart is always for us.

Hab 3:17,18 “yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will be joyful in God my Saviour”.