Habakkuk 1 Discussion Questions

Open it

What about life has sometimes perplexed or frustrated you?

Explore it

What did Habakkuk receive? (1:1)
About what was the prophet distressed? (1:2-4)
How did God answer Habakkuk's complaint? (1:5-11)
Why was the prophet perplexed and bewildered? (1:12-17)

What did the prophet do in anticipation of God's response? (2:1)

Get it

When people suffer because of violence and injustice, how do you feel? God used the ungodly Babylonians to punish Israel. How does God speak to Christians through the actions of pagans nowadays?

When have you been perplexed about why God allowed something to happen?

When has God given you an answer to prayer that surprised you? What was Habakkuk's emotional state when he asked God, "How long?" Have you ever asked God, "How long?" What was the issue for you? Have you ever been frustrated with God's timing? Read 2 Peter 3:9. How are God's timing and His patience related?

Why was Habakkuk so upset with God's first answer in 1:5-11? Have you ever received an answer from God that you did not like? Have you read clear teachings in the Bible that you disagree with? How did you resolve the issue?

What sins of this nation are deplorable to you?

Apply it

When can you take time this week to be open and honest with the Lord about some of your deepest concerns or frustrations?