

Take some time to briefly introduce yourself to everyone at your table and share what you are most looking forward to this summer.

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Read Habakkuk 1:1-4. An oracle is a man or woman through whom God spoke, and Habakkuk is speaking directly to God in this book. What does this tell you about the authority with which he speaks?

What is Habakkuk's complaint in verses 1-2?

In these verses, Habakkuk describes what he is seeing in Judah, but how would you describe his emotional state as he makes his complaint to God?

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Read Habakkuk 1:5-11. In verse 5, what does the Lord say he is going to do?

Chaldeans is another word for Babylonians. List all the words God uses to describe the Chaldeans and the havoc they will wreak on Judah.

Imagine you are Habakkuk hearing from the Lord of the destruction coming to His people in Judah. How might you feel?

Have you ever felt this way or similar in your own life and circumstances? If you are willing, please share.

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Read Habakkuk 1:12-17. Habakkuk struggles honestly with the justice and mercy of the Lord to allow His beloved people to suffer under the Chaldeans. List every word Habakkuk uses to describe the Lord in these verses.

What do these things tell you about the character of God?

List every word Habakkuk uses to describe the enemy in these verses.

Why do you think the Lord would allow such an evil nation to capture His people Judah?

Do you ever struggle to believe God is good in your own life? If you are willing, please share.