"...Yet I Will Rejoice" Finding Strength in a Crisis The Book of Habakkuk - Part 1

"How to Pray Angry" Habakkuk 1:1-17

Fight faithfully with God because God faithfully fights for _____.

Habakkuk's First Complaint

Habakkuk 1:1-4

The Lord's Answer

Habakkuk 1:5-11

Habakkuk's Second Complaint

Habakkuk 1:12-17

Fight

When you pray angry, you are, essentially, picking a fight with God. You're questioning him and his ______ because you're holding up who he says he is, comparing it to what's happening, and saying, "I don't see it, God!"

God ______ us to pray angry.

Couples in good marriages fight. Sometimes they fight a lot. The difference in strong, lasting marriages is in ______ they fight.

Fight Faithfully with God

None of the lamenters in Scripture are walking away from God. They are fighting and remaining faithful. They put their trust in God. They not only model angry prayer for us, they model ______.

From Habakkuk's vantage point, this makes no ______.

In our arrogance, we expect to understand everything God does, but the cognitive _____ between you and God is infinitely greater than between you and and a three-year-old.

God Faithfully Fights for You

Habakkuk knows God's track record of loving faithfulness toward Israel throughout their entire _____.

Our Advantage

- We know more of the _____.
- We have the _____.
 God fights for us at ultimate cost to ______ on the cross.

Personal Reflection & Small Group Questions

Please complete this study on your own, then bring it to your small group for discussion.

1. Looking back over your notes from this week's sermon, what particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

2. When have you felt anger toward God?

3. Read Habakkuk 1:1-17. What lesson's on prayer from Habakkuk's angry prayer stand out to you personally?

4. Most married couples who are deeply in love fight. In marriages that last, they usually fight fair, but they fight. What might God be saying to you if you never pray angry prayers? (By the way, this question is mostly for me. Pastor Henry)