

## How Are You Seeing It?

In Psalm 89:38 through the end of the chapter, we see the danger and deception of interpreting truth by the circumstances and not interpreting the circumstances by the truth. Interpretation is part of life — discernment is needed to interpret and perceive a thing rightly.

## Wrestling With It All

Do you ever wrestle with hard things you see and hear... things you just don't understand or misunderstood? We all do... especially if we've been misinformed about something that God does or doesn't do. Ethan, like Habakkuk, found himself in this place. Misled by "info" passed down to him about how God works and he was struggling badly with the challenging times of his nation.

Things we and he could've gleaned from Habakkuk. Habakkuk took the right steps... which led to the right Someone and His solutions for what he would have to

face. He wrestled with it all but by bringing it to the right place — God — He gave him the right perspectives to see victory in it all.

We find Habakkuk WRESTLING with God in chapter one because of his lack of understanding of who God is, what He can do, and who He can use to fulfill His purpose. But we see him wrestling with WISDOM in chapter two as he waited and watched for the Lord. And, as we conclude his message, we can't help but notice how his wrestling match ended with WORSHIP and beautiful words of affirmation in chapter three.

The bad was only going to get worse... the violence was going to intensify. The trouble was not going away. There was no fix for what was coming. Nothing would change in Habakkuk's world... meaning, nothing about the conditions in his nation or the circumstances surrounding the invasion of the Babylonians but everything changed with Habakkuk. Where? Within Him. God didn't fix what was happening or coming but He did fix Habakkuk for it. How? He touched him. How? Through His word. Habakkuk went back and recalled the wondrous works

of God and the messages and mighty works of God, from days gone by, touched the prophet, and transformed him from within. He declares...

"Though the fig tree may not blossom, nor fruit be on the vines; Though the labor of the olive may fail, and the fields yield no food; Though the flock may be cut off from the fold, and there be no herd in the stalls— Yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will joy in the God of my salvation. The Lord God is my strength; He will make my feet like deer's feet (to overcome the obstacles), and He will make me walk on my high hills (the paths He's chosen for me)." (Habakkuk 3:17-19)

What changed? Nothing! Who changed? Habakkuk! What changed in Habakkuk? His perspectives changed. Who transformed him? God touched Him and gave him ears, eyes and the understanding needed to celebrate.

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