

Use the following thoughts and questions to have a spiritual conversation as a family. Don't emphasize having the right answer, but focus on spending time discussing the Word as a family.

Scripture

Habakkuk 1:2-6, 12-13, 2:3-4; 3:16-19

Session Summary

The Book of Habakkuk opens with a prophet grappling with God. Habakkuk struggled to understand why God would delay his judgment on wicked Judah. There is no doubt Habakkuk loved the people of God and longed to see them spiritually restored. Yet he questioned why God would allow His people to sin without consequence. Then, after God declared His coming judgment, Habakkuk again questioned God, this time on His method of judgment. God's message to Habakkuk is a message we need to hear today with all the injustice in our world. God has authority over all things, and even though events may be confusing to us, we can live with faith and joy as we place our trust in Him.

Conversation Questions

- In what ways does our family see injustice, violence, and wickedness in the world around us?
- How should this kind of evil in our world grieve our hearts?
- What are reasons we can hope in to keep us from being overwhelmed by grief and to embrace lives full of faith and joy?
- How does the hope that Jesus gives through salvation help us be a light in a world full of darkness?

Family Challenge

Sit down as a family and talk about some of the big events happening in the world today. Discuss where you see evil and injustice around you, then talk about how your family can be a light in the darkness. Take time to ask each other questions about what it means to be a light to those directly around you (at work, school, etc.). Pray together at the end and ask God to equip each of you to shine His glory in the darkness.