



Today's Topic:

## ***Challenging Answers***

*Habakkuk 1:5-11*

*August 24, 2025*

1. \_\_\_\_\_ able

*“Look at the nations and watch—and be utterly amazed. For I am going to do something in your days that you would not believe, even if you were told.”*

*Habakkuk 1:5 (NIV, 2011)*

2. \_\_\_\_\_ able

*“I am raising up the Babylonians, that ruthless and impetuous people, who sweep across the whole earth to seize dwellings not their own.” Habakkuk 1:6 (NIV, 2011)*

3. \_\_\_\_\_ able

*“Then they sweep past like the wind and go on—guilty people, whose own strength is their god.” Habakkuk 1:11 (NIV, 2011)*

### **The Point**

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*Next Steps:*

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### **Discussion Questions:**

1. What does the phrase, “Hell on earth,” suggest to you? Have you or has someone you know experienced what you are describing?
2. Read Habakkuk 1:1-5. Why might Habakkuk be shocked and surprised by God’s response to his questions?
3. Read Habakkuk 1:6-10. Describe how shocked and overwhelmed someone might feel if they were to experience the type of destruction indicated by these verses.
4. Read Habakkuk 1:11. What does God mean when He says that the Babylonians’ “own strength is their god”? Why might God allow them to succeed for a while with this delusion?
5. Ultimately, God will also destroy the Babylonians, but, in the meantime, how are His people supposed to endure their oppression?
6. How does the presence of God help us to survive when we also experience our version of “hell on earth”?