

SMALL GROUP QUESTIONS

Do you have a tendency to let your problems become big and your God become small? How have you seen this reality in your life? Why do you think this happens?

The move from a horizontal perspective to a vertical one can be easier said than done (i.e. how do you move from an earthly perspective on your circumstances to a heavenly one?). Talk about how to make this move practically. Share passages of God's word that help you make this shift.

What do you find easier: remembering and praising God for who He is or what He's done? Why?

What strikes you about Habakkuk's approach in prayer in v. 2?

What does it look like to rightly fear God? How is that a massive asset to your prayer life? (i.e. revere him until your desire is to be inseparably connected to the Lord and unwaveringly committed to obedience. Rightly ascertaining who he is makes everything else matter less in comparison to being in right relationship to Him)

Do you have a spiritual scrapbook of sorts? That is, do you have "go to" memories of God's faithfulness to press you forward in faith in God's future faithfulness? Give examples. What about from Scripture?

Do you spend time meditating on God's word? If not, what keeps you from meditating on God's word?

What can you pick up from Habakkuk with regards to topics and concepts for meditation (vv. 3-16)? (i.e. God's glory, the Big-ness of God, the unapologetic nature of God, the rescuing of god)

Martin Luther broke meditation on God's word down into 4 categories: instruction (what does this mean?), thankfulness (why am I thankful this is here?), confession (what do I need to change/confess/repent of?), and prayer (what do I need to seek God for in light of this?). How can you apply this framework to your prayer life?

