

Life Beyond the Guardrail
Series: Trusting God in Troubled Times,
The Book of Habakkuk, #5
Text: Habakkuk 2:5-20
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Theme: God will judge all who reject Him.

- 1. The greedy plunderers will be plundered. (5-8; see also Galatians 6:7)
- 2. The selfish sin against themselves. (9-11; see also 1:7-8; Daniel 4:28-33; Obadiah 1:3-4)
- 3. The tyrants build what will not last. (12-14; see also 1:17-18; Psalm 72:19; Isaiah 11:9; Jeremiah 51:58)
- 4. The perverters' glory will become their shame. (15-17; see also 1:17)
- 5. The idolaters' trust will not rescue them from judgment. (18-20; see also Exodus 20:1-7; Psalm 11:4; 115:3-8)

"So ... ?"

- 1. Live with a certain hope in every circumstance.
- 2. Live with a solid faith in every moment.
- 3. Live with a clear testimony to every person.

In My Life This Week

As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.

Monday. Read Habakkuk 2:2-20. Review the five *woes* from God to Babylon and all who have faith in themselves. What is God's attitude toward pride, toward all sin? Does your attitude line up with His not only with respect to others, but also to yourself?

Tuesday. God will judge all sin and sinners. This certainty should never lead believers to be smug and callous. God's justice is an unchanging part of His character. What does 2 Peter 3:9 tell us about God's attitude? Does your attitude and action reflect Jude 1:22-23?

Wednesday. Read Habakkuk 2:2-20 again. As you think about God's judgment of sin, praise Him for being delivered from judgment for your sin through Jesus, who took it on Himself. Read Revelation 4:8, 1l, 5:12-13, 7:9-12, 11:17. Begin this heavenly praise here and now!

Thursday. Go back to Habakkuk 2:4. With the certainty of God being in control and that He will judge all sin and sinners, you can live by faith with joyful hope regardless of the circumstances. Have you really been living by faith this week?

Friday – Saturday. On Sunday we plan to look at Habakkuk's brief prayer in 3:1-2. Read chapter three and think through these first two verses as you prepare for our time together.

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