



Habakkuk 3:17-18

Joy in the Journey!

Lesson 1

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Difference between happiness and joy.

- Happiness is dependent upon the _____.
- Joy is dependent upon the _____.
- Opposite of happiness is _____.
- Opposite of joy is _____.

Psalm 48:2 KJV “Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King.”

1 Peter 1:8 KJV “Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:”

I. Joy lost when looking at the _____

Habakkuk 1:1-4 KJV “The burden which Habakkuk the prophet did see. O LORD, how long shall I cry, and thou wilt not hear! even cry out unto thee of violence, and thou wilt not save! Why dost thou shew me iniquity, and cause me to behold grievance? for spoiling and violence are before me: and there are that raise up strife and contention. Therefore the law is slacked, and judgment doth never go forth: for the wicked doth compass about the righteous; therefore wrong judgment proceedeth.”

Habakkuk 1:1-4 ESV “The oracle that Habakkuk the prophet saw.

O LORD, how long shall I cry for help, and you will not hear? Or cry to you “Violence!” and you will not save? Why do you make me see iniquity, and why do you idly look at wrong? Destruction and violence are before me; strife and contention arise. So the law is paralyzed, and justice never goes forth. For the wicked surround the righteous; so justice goes forth perverted.”

A. Habakkuk looked at the _____ which removed his joy

B. If you look at the _____, it can remove your joy

1. Look at our _____ condition and it can remove your joy

2. Look at our _____ condition and it can remove your joy

1 Corinthians 6:9-10 KJV "Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God."

II. Joy regained when looking _____ to the Lord

Habukkuk 2:4 KJV "Behold, his soul which is lifted up is not upright in him: but the just shall live by his faith."

Romans. 1:17 For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.

Galatians 3:11 But that no man is justified by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, The just shall live by faith.

Hebrews 10:38 Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw back, my soul shall have no pleasure in him.

A. Joy _____

1. He _____

2. He _____

Habakkuk 1:5 KJV "Behold ye among the heathen, and regard, and wonder marvelously: for I will work a work in your days, which ye will not believe, though it be told you."

3. He _____

Habukkuk 2:4 KJV "Behold, his soul which is lifted up is not upright in him: but the just shall live by his faith."

B. Joy _____

Habakkuk 3:17-19 KJV "Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall fruit be in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall 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, and he will make my feet like hinds' feet, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places. To the chief singer on my stringed instruments."

Joy _____ of the circumstances.

Joy comes from the _____.