

Responding to Righteousness Habakkuk 3

Though poor in this world's goods, though grieving the loss of loved ones, though suffering pain of body, though harassed by sin and Satan, though hated and persecuted by worldlings, whatever be the case and lot of the Christian, it is both his privilege and duty to rejoice in the Lord.

-A.W. Pink

I. Rejoicing in Humility

II. Rejoicing in History

III. Rejoicing in Hope

Into the Bible

1. At first Habakkuk had raised serious questions about God's designs in using the Babylonians to judge His people. God's answer is to remind him of just who he is talking to. Yet what does God promise to us when we humble ourselves in His presence? (James 4:10, 1 Peter 5:6-7)

Application

2. Ephesians 6:12 reminds us that we are indeed in a war. Putting on the whole armor of God is essential, but we need to be reminded about how the battles we face are to be won. (Isaiah 41:11 and 45:2, Psalm 9:3, 18:47, and 138:7)

3. We rely on God's provision in our lives, so when things fall apart it is easy to feel that God has failed us in some way. Why should we continue to trust in God when we feel this way?
(Isaiah 55:8, Psalm 73:21-26, Romans 8:28)

For Families

4. Talk with your children about God's protection over us.