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**Habakkuk's (and our) conversation with God:**

Habby/Us: "How Long, Lord? Aren't You going to do something?" (1:2)

God: "Oh, I'm going to do something alright!" (1:5-6)

Habby/Us: "I trust you, Lord, but I'm not so sure about your plan!" (1:12-13)

God: "Shhh... I've got everything under control." (2:20)

**Habby/Us:**

A. "I remember now! You are always at work!" (3:2a)

1. God comes! (3:3)

2. God rescues! (3:13)

B. "Keep up your good work, Lord!" (3:2b)

1. God is working for our good and His glory! (Romans 8:28)

C. "I know we may experience your wrath, Lord...

but I know you are merciful too!" (3:2c)

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1. Read this week's passage together - Habakkuk 3:1-15. This chapter stirs up vivid memories of God's might and mercy. It's so important that we recall God's goodness in our lives as we trust Him with our future. Share with your group about a time when God has worked mightily and mercifully in your life.
  
2. In Romans 11:22, the Apostle Paul writes, "Consider therefore the kindness *and* sternness of God." Why is it important that we understand that *both* are attributes of God? How do wrath and mercy go together? What if God's character was extreme in one direction or the other... only wrathful or overly merciful? Read also: Nahum 1:2-8, Exodus 34:6-7, Ephesians 2:1-10, Romans 2:4b.
  
3. Read Psalm 30:5 together. In what area of your life are you still waiting for the "morning" to come? Read Psalm 62:1-8. Pray for and encourage one another to trust God in every circumstance!