

Lesson Aim: To discuss how to respond to confusion in our lives with faith in God.



Bridge LifeGroups are currently on summer break. We will continue to offer study questions each week in this more simplified format, which can be useful for personal devotions and/or discussion starters for LifeGroups that choose to meet for a portion of the summer months.

- 1. What is creating confusion in your life right now?
- 2. Do you find it hard to admit that you don't always understand why God is allowing certain things to happen in the world or in your life? Why or why not?
- 3. Read Habakkuk 3:1-2. How is verse 2 related to the promise of 2:2-4?
- 4. How are wrath and mercy related?
- 5. What are some ways you have heard of God working in the past that you would like to see Him renew today (think of biblical examples but also examples from church history that have happened since New Testament times)?
- 6. **Read Habakkuk 3:3-15.** To what historical events may Habakkuk be referring to (cf. Exodus 7-12; 14:15-31; 19:16; Joshua 3:15-17)?
- 7. These poetic words in Habakkuk stirred up memories of God's might and mercy on behalf of Israel and Judah. How has God worked mightily and mercifully in your past?
- 8. **Read Habakkuk 3:16-19.** What things are barren in your life, as in Habakkuk's day? Are you ready to rejoice in the Lord anyway? Why or why not?

Close by praying through any needs that were mentioned and however else the Lord leads you.

This **LifeGroup** Study Guide is designed to help you apply Sunday's message. You can do this homework on your own; however we encourage you to check out our warm and friendly message-based **LifeGroups**! Get a copy of this Study Guide at theBridgeFresno.com by clicking on the "Resources" link.





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FAITH TRUMPS CONFUSION Chapter 3

What is causing confusion in your life?

What are some ways we can respond to confusion with faith?

- Through <u>worshipful</u> prayer that focuses on <u>what</u> God has <u>done</u> and is <u>able</u> to do. (Verses 1-2)
- By developing a greater vision for Who God is. (verses 3-15)
 - Rather than asking "how does God fit into my story?" we should ask "how do I fit into God's story?"
- With a hope that can look beyond <u>circumstances</u> and <u>cling tenaciously</u> to God. (Verses 16-19)