Making Sense Out of the Nonsense of Life—
Requires Waiting on God’s Timing!

Habakkuk 2
Sermon Series: Making Sense Out of the Nonsense of Life, Pt. 2

Habakkuk: means to embrace, bear or wrestle.
Uniqueness: Every other prophet took God’s word to the people, but Habakkuk took the people’s questions to God.
His Question: Where is God when life seems unfair?
His Crisis: What he saw didn’t line up with what he believed.

Themes in the Book of Habakkuk:

Chapter 1 – WRESTLING

2 How long, LORD, must I call for help, but You do not listen?
   Or cry out to You, “Violence!” but You do not save?
3 Why do You make me look at injustice?
   Why do You tolerate wrongdoing?

13 Why then do You tolerate the treacherous? Why are You silent while the wicked swallow up those more righteous than themselves?
17 Is he to keep on emptying his net, destroying nations without mercy?

Chapter 2 – WAITING

4 ...the righteous person will live by his faithfulness...

Chapter 3 – WORSHIP

19 The Sovereign LORD is my strength; He makes my feet like the feet of a deer, He enables me tread on the heights.
   For the director of music. On my stringed instruments.

Habakkuk 1:17, Is he to keep on emptying his net, destroying nations without mercy?

Habakkuk 2:20, The LORD is in His holy temple; let all the earth be silent before Him.

Habakkuk 2:

1 I will stand at my watch and station myself on the ramparts; I will look to see what He will say to me, and what answer I am to give to this complaint. 2 Then the LORD replied: “Write down the revelation and make it plain on tablets so that a herald may run with it. 3 For the revelation awaits an appointed time; it speaks of the end and will not prove false. Though it linger, wait for it; it will certainly come and will not delay. 4 “See, the enemy is puffed up; his desires are not upright—but the righteous person will live by his faithfulness—

• Watch from God’s PERSPECTIVE (vs.1)
• Write down God’s ANSWERS (vs.2)
• Wait for God’s TIMING (vs.3)
• Walk by FAITH (vs.4)

Romans 1:17, For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed—a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: “The righteous will live by faith.”

Hebrews 10:38, “But my righteous one will live by faith. And I take no pleasure in the one who shrinks back.” 39 But we do not belong to those who shrink back and are destroyed, but to those who have faith and are saved.

Hebrews 12:1, Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, 2 fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith. For the joy set before Him He endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God. 3 Consider Him who endured such opposition from sinners, so that you will not grow weary and lose heart.