

Habakkuk  
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 Part Two

So God has just begun to speak. He is not justifying anything about what is going on in the earth. He is primarily, the only thing that He is really really concerned about that is presently going on in the earth is Habakkuk and his soul being lifted up.

Right now the whole earth is filled with its glory. Which if the president of that was there he would be anyway... but the whole earth has got all this stuff going on. But He doesn't seem to be concerned at this point about that at all. But he puts the emphasis here not because of meanness, not because of he is out of balance, but really and truly out of love. Not just because He loves Habakkuk but because He loves the truth. Because He loves the vision. And He loves those who are part of that. And He loves, even who He corrects He loves. He corrects to correct. So that it is corrected and back to the...amen?

I mean, why do we take everything so bad? You know, "Well, if you are talking to me I must be more horrible than the Babylonians?" "Is that what you are saying?" "You know, you know, my God if you are jumping on me and not them I must be ten times worse than the Babylonians. I am worse than the great harlot." Now, don't laugh because some of you come up with those kind of conclusions. When in reality you are nowhere near that. He is not even considering you like that. He is considering you out of a heart of love and he is correcting you so that you will be corrected. So that you will be back on the correct path, so that you will come from the heavens and not the earth and that you will be from above and not the earth. And you will bring the heavens down into the earth. Instead of just always trying to get heaven to come down to you.

God wants Habakkuk to understand something else, alright. At this point, Habakkuk still does not really fully understand God and where He is going and what is going on. You have to accept that he is hearing but he has not heard. So God is still expressing His love, and He is showing His vision and talking about it. And He is correcting to bring back to that vision. But even though He is doing all of these things and all of those are priorities in the heart of God. Priorities, above anything, I mean, you got to understand how He literally operates. It is not a mental thing it is not choosing. This is what makes Him up. This is a check list that goes off of it. There are certain things that are preeminent.

You know, Jesus should have the preeminence in all things. Well you try doing that apart from having that in your heart. You won't be able to make Him preeminent in all things. But if it is in your heart and it becomes part of you, not just in your mind. You can put things in your mind that may not be a part of you, did you know that? Most of you did what we call High School. You had History, Math, you put a whole lot of stuff in your mind but it didn't become part of you. OK, so it is possible to put a lot of stuff, even religious things in your mind and not become a part of you. But your heart is a whole different ball game.

God is after your heart. That is what was going on over here with Habakkuk. God is ever after

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His heart. He wants His heart. But even though God has gone through His little check list and did it very carefully and didn't over-ly do it or anything. He knows that Habakkuk does not understand as of yet. Because he still got this thing in his mind that goes . I know but yeah but, yeah but, yeah....some

of you know what I am talking about. You know, and so God is going to have to deal with his but, yeah but. That is all I meant. What do you people got problems? God has to deal with his yeah but, there is nothing wrong with that. Yeah yeah, never heard it on this wise, have you.

So what God is going to do is that God is about to go off on this thing and here is primary what He is about to do. He is going to explain in detail to Habakkuk that He knows exactly what is going on and He knows what Habakkuk knows about the problems and more. Habakkuk is kind of almost going, yeah but You, You don't seem to see the problem. You don't really, I know what it is Lord. You don't know what is going on. You know, because if you knew what I knew, you would be upset.

Now think of somebody in that state. And then think that God can't through His love, and through His eternal plan get them on track. So he is about to go I, I know the problems and I am going to show you I know the problems. Alright? So here we go, verse 5

### **Habakkuk 2:5-6**

**Yea also, because he transgresseth by wine, he is a proud man, neither keepeth at home, who enlarges his desire as hell and is as death and cannot be satisfied but gathereth unto himself all nations, and heapeth unto himself all peoples: Shall not all these take up a parable against him, and a taunting proverb against him, and say, Woe to him that increaseth that which is not his! How long? And to him that ladeth himself with thick clay!**

Now, what he is going to do he is going to weave in this vision of seeing the problems, he is going to weave Israel, Babylonians, Habakkuk. He is going to weave everybody into this thing and he is going to show yeah "I see all the battle, I see all of Israel, I see all of Habakkuk. I see all the problems and I see them better that you see them. OK? And when God has to do that, alright.

Notice it gets down to verse 6 and He says "Woe to him that," OK, woe to him. Now look at verse nine. We are just going to look at this really quick. Verse 9, what is the first three words? "Woe to him." Verse 12, "Woe to him." Verse 15, "Woe to him." Verse 19, "Woe to him."

So we are getting the big woes, right? Now you remember what we talked about in Isaiah, that Isaiah the prophet the righteous man, looks and he sees all the woes in the earth and he pronounces as a prophet, woe, woe, woe. But at a certain juncture, Isaiah, the prophet, lifts his eyes from the earth and looks at the Lord and when he does there is one more woe, woe is me.

There is a significance of in the middle of seeing all the problems on the earth that if you actually saw the Lord, you would be included in the woe's that are on the earth. So where do I get that from? Well, keep your place here but turn to Revelation chapter 8. I am not going to read the whole verse. You can always go back and look at it but I don't want you distracted so I am just going to read the first part. It is verse 13, last verse in chapter 8.

### **Revelation 8:13**

**And I beheld and heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven saying with a loud voice, Woe, Woe, Woe, to the inhabitants of the earth.**

You can always go back and look later all that it says, it doesn't really add a whole lot but it could detract you from the point that I want to make. And that is if there is this, the word, angel, the word angel, is actually in the Greek, what? Messenger, Alright we have a messenger. We have a messenger, what is a messenger? Someone that has a message. What else is a messenger? Somebody that usually has a message from somebody else, it is not their own message. What is significant about this messenger? They are in the heavens. DO you see it there? They are in the heavens.

What else is significant in their message? This is significant in their message, "Woe" but not just "Woe" but "Woe, Woe, Woe." So we had Isaiah saying, "Woe unto you that do this and that." "Woe, unto you that do this and that, Woe." We have the Lord saying, "Hey, I see all the problems, I see, I am well aware of the problems." "Woe to this person, Woe to that, you know, does this encourage you Habakkuk? Woe to him that drinks too much, Woe to him that does this, woe...are you encouraged?" But here He says, "Woe, Woe, Woe" to who? To the inhabitants or the inhabitants, of the earth.

Nissi and I were talking after one of my classes and she said, "You know every time you see woe in the scriptures it is because somebody has been relating in the earth." Including Isaiah. What he saw was his earth. But there are no woes in heaven or in the heavens, in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus. There are no woes there. There are none pronounced. You have been raised up out of the earth. You have been translated into the Kingdom of God. You have been raised up and made to sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

Paul said in Him we live, in Him we move, or have our motivation. How many of us can truly say that my motives are coming from the heavens, from Him, seated with Him in heavenly places." And in Him we have our being, my doing comes from being. Most people's doing comes from guilt. But your doing should come from being, who you are. You do who you are. And who you are is one with Jesus. Who are you? One with Jesus? He is the vine, you are the branch. You cannot bear fruit, not this fruit not this kind of vine fruit unless you are plugged into this vine, because the fruit comes from His Life. It goes out of Him, into your branch, and produces fruit. And without Him, you may be producing stuff but it is not fruit. You say, "But it is very good." That is good, but it is not good fruit, because it is not His fruit.

Woe to those for living down here. Who even though they claim Christianity or whatever, you know "I go to church and I do this." They are of the earth. It says in Colossians, as I said, Set your affections on things above, not on things on the earth. Now what is that saying? "OK, my affections are on streets of gold and gates of pearl and basically, I just transferred my covetousness from the earth to heaven. I am still covetous. I got news for you: it tells you what to set your affection. On things above where Christ Sitteth... Where Christ Sitteth. Now that is what it says.

Well, what is he talking about? Set your affection on His gold throne. Desire that throne with all of

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your heart. That is not what He is saying. He is saying, when Jesus sat down the work was done. When the High Priest sits down the work is finished. It is in the bible, it is in the whole book of Hebrews, it is all about it. It is finished. He sat down, the work was finished and your affections are supposed to not be down here on the earth striving to bring it about. But up here, believing and striving to manifest it in the earth. Now, that is two different lives. And woe to him that is constantly not, no affections on above, they are very few, they are basically in the earth. "Oh Lord I want this, as long as I am on the globe, I would like to have this and I want a happy so and so. I want a good so and so. I

want a big so and so. I want a.... and on and on and on.” You know it is our affections on the earth. You know what I mean? I mean some people believe in rapture, some don't. But I can see some people; the rapture takes place, they are not going to go because they are holding on to all this stuff. Ahhhhh, come on Lord, more pull. Their affections are so set on the earth.

I would love to take the time to explain to you specifically how many people's affections in this room are so earthly. But the Lord is not leading me to do that. Because the real freedom does not come in seeing the woes of the earth. Real freedom comes when you see the treasure that is Christ. When you see Him and you comprehend the One that you are one with and comprehend your inheritance that is yours by virtue of oneness with Him. Scriptures talk a lot about inheritance but I tell you what most people have no clue what that means. What does that mean? Am I going to get Jesus' car when he dies? You know, they don't understand. But it is the inheritance of Him. And it is all that is rightfully His and not none of it rightfully yours. Because you were brought into His family. And brought into that inheritance.

So, woe to the inhabitants of the earth. All of the woes are going to be down here. All of them are here. And you know what, you can be doing good and woes are pronounced on you. You can have a good family and woes can be pronounced on you, if you are of the earth., if you are dwelling on the earth. Where are we supposed to dwell? In Christ. You say, “Well, I am not seeing Him manifested!” Do you have to, do you have to experience physical discomfort before you are going to believe God or can you just say, if He says Woe to anything that is on the earth. And you say well, this is something of the earth that I have given my affections to, then I am under the woes of God, whether I feel anything presently or not. I don't have to have physical discomfort to want to go with the Word of God.

But there are a lot of people that are more like the donkey that is held by bit and bridle. And he goes because somebody jerks, and he goes this way and somebody jerks and he goes that way but it is not in his heart. Hello, that is in the scriptures by the way. A lot of this I don't really make up, it is actually things in the Word of God that come out of me. That is one of them. Not held by bit and bridle that is always having to be jerked by God to do what He wants. God wants to get beyond those kind of dealings in yours and my life. He wants it to become something of the heart.

So, even to comprehend these things, is to, the woes on the earth, is to begin to comprehend His heart and to say, you know even if He has blessed me with these things, cause He blessed, didn't He bless Abraham with Isaac? He promised him Isaac. Told him Isaac was going to be the channel of blessing and then came a day He said, “I want Isaac back”. “Wait a minute, Isaac is everything to me.” “I thought I was. I gave you Isaac. I even came up with the idea, Isaac.” “Oh, well I love you too Lord but I mean this isn't sin. I mean, he is a good boy. I mean, he is just like what You said

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He would be. He is just a blessing.” “Well, I want you to offer him up.” “What!! I gave you my cigarettes back in the old days.” “I don't want your cigarettes anymore, I want your heart and right now your heart is with Isaac.” “He is yours, You gave him to me, and if you want to take him you can take him. You made a promise to me that through him would the Seed come, so there is going to be someday, I don't know how, and I don't have to understand everything, I understand your heart. I don't have omniscience, I don't have omniscience meaning I know everything. I don't know everything. But I know Your heart and I know that you haven't lied to me and I know that if You take him then you are going to give him back to me in some way.” It says, even if God had to raise him from the dead.

Anybody remember that in the book of Hebrews?

Ok, so, so Abraham man you talk about a friend of God, you talk about a relationship with God. You know, God could ask for not just his best. Isaac is past his best. Isaac is God's best. Most people give God their bad and keep their good. But Isaac is not their good. Isaac is God's best. And he went all the way with the Lord. Went all the way with the Lord. When he did the Lord said, "You know there is not one thing in this earth that I really want, I just want your heart with Me, I want you one with Me." And you know when you are one with the Lord then you understand that God does not take away anything that He either isn't going to restore or it is probably best whether you understand it or not that you don't have that. But how many of us really really, come on now, how many of us really really believe that because, I've told you before, but you, you will know when you have arrived at that. When God can do anything and you won't accuse Him. He could do anything to you and you would not think that He is doing something evil. Is that, is that OK? Is it OK that I at least say that? Let us just pray that nothing ever happens to you. But I mean it is the truth, He wants your heart and those people that you admire in the scriptures, everyone of them: David, Abraham, Moses, they gave beyond bad, beyond good. Man, everything was there on the altar because they loved the Lord. And it wasn't you know, a fakey thing, you know it had been tested, they all had been severely tested. And when push came to shove they said "Lord, you are it man, You are it, You are what I want, You are where I am heading."

Alright, so, back to Habakkuk. Oh, I tell you what, let us look really quick in Colossians chapter three. I have been quoting it all night. So we might as well look at it. Actually, let us just drop on down to, I mean I've been quoting it so you know it is there, well, we can read it. 3:1

### **Colossians 3:1**

**If you then be risen with Christ seek those things which are above.**

OK, so he is not saying if you are one day going to get raised with Christ, then you ought to act like you are a heavenly creature. He is saying if you are already, presently from above, then your heart and your affections should be from that place. However, if you are on the earth and claiming the inheritance, or the aboveness. Because you know, that is what the land represented and Israel, they left Egypt and they wandered in the wilderness, and they got to the edge of the land and they looked over there and they said "Ohhhh that is good, ohhhh milk and honey, ohhh big fruit, ohhh good stuff and whoa giants, you know? Then they said, "Welll, I don't know, I don't know if this is worth it." You know., Well I tell you what, standing out there or visiting is not going to get it. But, but Joshua and Caleb were already dwelling in that land, in their heart they were. They were, they said, "Look, the land is ours, God has already given in to us, we just have to go in and possess it. But it is ours." So, their heart was already, and it wasn't just with the land, it was with God. God is well able to overcome

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these giants. Come on! But they didn't, they picked up stones and wanted to kill them Why, why would you want to kill somebody for that? Why, I mean I could understand robbing you or somebody doing some horrible thing to you. But somebody was trying to get you to the Lord, you want to kill them. You want to pick up stones and kill them? I don't understand that. But maybe it is good that I don't understand that. **Maybe there is another mind that I don't have working in me.** You know I would hope that is what is going on here, verse 10.

### **Colossians 3:10-11**

**And have put on the new man that is renewed in knowledge after the image of Him that created him;**

This creation here is not talking about the old creation it is talking about the new creation. In verse 11 it proves it. Because that is a semi-colon there.

**Where there is**

Talking about this image and this creation.

**Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision or uncircumcision, barbarian, Seythian, bond or free but Christ is all and in all.**

Christ is all and in all. And then look in Chapter 2 verse 9 and 10. See, I could really get off right here. On trying, on really showing you the vision but a Colossians 2:9-10.

**Colossians 2:9-10  
For in Him.**

OK, notice all of these references are talking about In Him. Or In Christ in heavenly places. Where you have been raised, right?

**In Him dwelleth all the fullness of the Godhead bodily. And ye are complete in Him.**

Alright, you are complete in Him who is the head of all principalities in whom, here is where you are complete. Here is where you have victory over all principalities and powers. Here is where you are accepted. Here is where you are circumcised with the circumcision, not made with hands. And if you do not dwell in that place and if you dwell down here and keep trying to pray that down here and make this a better place in that sense you are missing the whole, you are like Habakkuk you are not really seeing what He has done. You are trying to get Him to do something. You have not seen what He has done.

Therefore, to seek Jesus in heavenly places where He sat down means absolutely nothing to you. Because there is nothing done. If you look through Habakkuk eyes there are nothing, there is nothing done. There is nothing settled. It is not settled, it is not done. For we see not yet all things under His feet. But it says it is. But it also says, we are not seeing it with these eyes. But we see Jesus. Made a little lower than angels for the suffering of death. We see Christ and Him crucified. And we see the vision coming. We see the fulfillment based on those who hold that, who live according to that. And dwell there and again, along the lines of Jacob's ladder, you end up bringing that, that down into the earth. Who end up being, not just believers of that, not just having a cute little doctrine that you teach and it makes you special or something like that, no sir-ree. I am talking about knowing something and living according to that and your whole life being dictated by that. So that you, and you do it with knowledge, with purpose. Going, this is God's eternal plan right here. I am presently right now this minute as fully involved in God's plan as I am when there is a huge crisis and I am living according to it. Because I am living according to it now. I don't have to have a crisis to believe or to hold on to something. It is His heart, it is His plan, no crisis is needed. It is what I believe and it is where I live. In Him we live and move and have our being.

So, where it says, you are complete in Him umm the same word is used when it talks about fullness, or that He fills all things. It means that He completes all things. This is a good word search to do. But the word complete and where it says He might fill all things and he would be the fullness and all this stuff. Fullness, and you hear that a lot from me. Those words actually mean completion. But He completes all things by being the fullness and the fulfillment of it in you. Not just you, Him. He is your peace, He doesn't give you peace. He is the way, He doesn't show you the way. He is the Vine,

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He is the true Vine. You see what I mean? He is these things and people go to Him for things. So, He is not the completion, He is the completer to them. He will complete, He will fulfill, He is the fulfiller to them. But we are saying and what the original here is saying, is that He literally is the completion of all these things. The fulfillment of all of them. And then we find that only in Him, not in the earth, apart from being in Him. And we never will.

Now, and again, I am going to stop and just say something but I mean, we can hear that for 3 years or 30 years. But there has to come a day in your life, that you go, MAN if that is the truth. I mean you know what I mean? You see, what I liked about Jesus is when He talked to the pharisees they got mad and picked up stuff and wanted to kill Him because they understood what He was saying. You are not it, your ministry is a fraud. It is over with, behold the Lamb of God, He took away the sin of the world, don't need anymore priests. You know they understood what He was saying and they got mad about it.

I mean I like that, I would rather have people mad and wanting to kill me for the truth then people who just go, yeah, oh Amen. Yep, yep right there is good truth, oh that is good truth too. Ohhh man you know that Randy he puts out some good truth. Yeah, I like sitting here and listening to this. Makes me happy. Well, I don't want you to be happy. I would just as soon you be mad. I would rather you be mad.

You know what? You know how I came, I began to come to the knowledge of this? It made me mad. And I said, wait a minute. If that is true, I mean I had learned that we are the righteousness of God in Christ. We were the righteousness of God. And one of my teachers said to me, you are not the righteousness of God, we are the righteousness of God in Him. But not you in and of yourself. "Well I am too!! I was worthless and now I am something special!" "No, you are not something special, you are in Him and He is special and yeah you are special in His heart but as you are one with Him. And I, you know that irritated me. And so bless God you don't talk to me like that I got a bible too and I will show you and I got in the bible, and found out he was right. And it bothered me at first until I started seeing the truth and then I went this is the most glorious thing, it takes it all off of me and puts it on Him and gives me wings.

That messenger had wings in the heavens. It gives me wings. I can, now I have hinds feet and I can go on the high places. And go where He goes, you know what I mean? See that scripture is right over there, right there, that first plaque you come to if you go up this thing, just walk up the ??? thing and turn and it says; "How lovely on the mountain are the feet of them who announce good tidings" It is not talking about being earth bound all caught up in your life here, this is what is important. It is talking about dwelling in Him with His fullness coming out of you and His completion having been settled. And you speak, announcing tidings of good news, proclaiming the! You know what I mean?

But instead we don't come from here. We are not on hinds feet dancing around in the realities of

Christ. And just going WOAH!! You know, people want to dance in church, I tell you what, when is the last time you danced around in there? Come on! Don't give me no earth jive. Now if that earth jive is coming because you are truly ??? He said, Worship me in understanding. You know? And to know all this, then I don't care if you do back flips all the way around. You have your freedom baby! I will give you freedom to do whatever you want. Hang by these fans and go round and round screaming like a banshee, if you want to. And if it is coming from here, I will get over there and hang with you baby.

But if it is just, I want to feel good, do you want to feel good too? Then you are promoting your feelings and God is not trying to promote your feelings. He is trying to promote your spirit. Make you

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spiritual. And you know what? Anything you do is not spiritual unless it comes from your spirit. "So, I prayed." "Did it come from your spirit?" "Well, No." "Then it is not spiritual." "Well, I worshiped." "Did it come from your spirit, God wants you to worship in spirit?" "Well no, it was mainly my soul, but I was down and out I wanted to feel better, I wanted to get happy." The joy of the Lord is your strength, do you know what that means? It doesn't mean That His, that His joy comes in to me and gives me strength Because I get happy, now I am dancing. It means making Him happy is what will strengthen your life. Pleasing Him, pleasing God, doing the will of God. Having His good pleasure first in your heart. The Joy of the Lord is my strength. You know, I am sorry, but if what I just said is right then everybody else's view of that scripture is pretty much earthly and self centered. And that view is, I want to please you Lord, I want YOU to have joy. He will rejoice over us with singing, you know? You go, oh the joy, the Lord is pleased. The Lord is being satisfied. But He is not satisfied with a bunch of flesh. A bunch of carnal things that we say, well if you do these 7 things you will please God. Run around the church screaming. Stay up until three or four in the morning on your knees, you know? I mean, or pray a hour every morning, get up 4:30 go up to the church and pray from five to six everyday. We tried that at our church. God didn't tell us to, but everybody said this is the way, so we tried it. And you know what we got out of it? Tired.

We just tired all the time, you know? You know, but if it comes from life. You know what, Church on the Rock, Larry Lee heard that from God and it invigorated their church. But everybody else grabbed it and they tried to put it to work and nobody else got any benefit out of it except tired. We may be the only church that would admit that. But how many of those churches that tired it are still doing that now? Come on, how many do you think? I bet you if there is any it is so small, and they probably got something from the Lord of it. But truly being on your knees is a spirit. It is, because you don't have to be on your knees but I mean being on your knees is a good phraseology to represent something in the spirit, you know? You know, instead of sending God e-mails send Him knee-mails. OK, verse six.

### **Habakkuk 2:6**

**Shall not all these take up a parable against him, and a taunting proverb against him, and say, Woe to him that increaseth that which is not his! How long? And to him that ladeth himself with thick clay!**

OK, so, imagine, imagine, OK, imagine the thoughts of Habakkuk looking at Babylon. His thoughts not God's thoughts, his thoughts. Anybody ever have your own thoughts? OK, imagine him having his thoughts looking at Babylon and going ohhh woe to them who ladeth themselves with da da da da. God will take up a parable and taunting against him, to him that increaseth that which is not his! OK, so he's going, So, now God says, but God has got Habakkuk, and He has got everybody together. He has

got bad Israel, good Israel, Habakkuk, Babylon. He has got them all, you know, all are condemned so that all might have life.

So, so He has got them all there and now when he says, Woe to him that increaseth that which is not his and all of a sudden Habakkuk is thinking and even good people in Israel are thinking, "Oh my God, you know what? Remember the time we did so and so? We increaseth that which was really not ours. Anybody know what I am talking about? You know when the Word of God can pierce through even you? And all of a sudden anything he says you go, "Oh my God, it is just as much for me as it is for anybody else." You know, you say, "Well, they are taking whole nations all I did was, you know, cheat him out of his car, or something, you know what I mean?"

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Alright, so,

### **Habakkuk 2:7-9**

**Shall they not rise up suddenly that shall bite thee,**

He doesn't say, "and shall bite them. That wicked Babylon, it shall bite them." No, bit thee **and awake that shall vex thee, and thou shalt be for bounty unto them? Because thou hast spoiled many nations, all the remnant of the people shall spoil thee; because of men's blood, and for the violence of the land, of the city, and of all that dwell therein. Woe to him that coveteth an evil covetousness to his house, that he may set his nest on high, that he may be delivered from the power of evil!**

Alright, he is talking about somebody here who wants to be delivered from evil. Would that be the evil people? No, that would not be the evil people, they don't want to be delivered from the evil because they are the evil. OK? He is talking about the good people. Alright? He is talking about the Godly people here but he is saying that they have gone about it the wrong way. They say, "Well, my motive is right, I don't want to be under the oppression of the enemy." So, what I need to get away from these wicked evil people is I need a special place set on high that will protect me and I will be away from everything that is evil and this will be the thing that God wants and that protects me.

Alright, well, you know what? Jesus kind of walked in the midst of the world. He had never been in the world before. All he had ever known was the Father, the angels, the Holy Spirit and absolute no sin not even a wrong thought, word, or motive, ever, for all eternity. Is anybody understand what I am talking about? And He comes down, He comes down in to the earth that is filled with violence and death and killing and wrong motivations. And even His own disciples are going, "Hey, can we be the greatest.?" You know, one of them is stealing over here and he is looking around this going, "What kind of deal is this?" You know? And that is the best **????** You know what I mean? And he is just going, "Oh my God, you know, I mean if he did, if he was like us, he would just go, "Oh my God this whole thing just needs to fry now. Father take me and as soon as my feet leave the ground, **????** You know?"

Now, that is us but that is not Him. Jesus gets down there and He is over there and a harlot comes in

and she is weeping and crying and the righteous pharisee is going, “My God, don't do that ??? touching you. Don't you know what she has been doing. You know, my God?” You know, and Jesus is sitting there going, “You know, here heart is more broken than yours is.” I'm sorry, but, you know Jesus said, “I don't have any problem with prostitutes, drunkards, drug addicts, sinners, I am looking at a whole room full of them. You know? You better hope He don't have a problem with it. You know, He doesn't think the way we, the pharisees are trying to get Jesus on their side and when He won't side with them they want to kill Him.

OK, that is living on the earth, trying to cleanse the earth, instead of trying to fill the earth. That is called a little hint. If we had a test at the end, not a written test, but on the end of life, this would be on it. How serious would you take this course called life? I have finished my course. Would you want to pass? Would you want to remember the points that are going to be on the test? He doesn't want to

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cleanse the earth, He wants to fill it. Alright, we will see that shortly. But we are getting so close we won't see it tonight. Alright, so, so verse 9 again.

**Woe to him that coveteth an evil covetousness to his house, that he may set his nest on high, that he may be delivered from the power of evil!**

So, OK, what is he saying? An evil covetousness to his house. Come on, think, think, think, think, let the Spirit of God talk to you. An evil covetousness to his house, so he wants to set his house on high, so that the evil people won't get to him. Oh Lord, bring revival into the earth. Oh God, we want revival so bad, we cry out for revival, give us revival so we don't have to put bars on our windows so I don't have to lock my car at night. Give us revival so I don't have to worry about waking my, you know, taking a walk with my family at night. Give. OK, now what is all that saying? Woe unto you that coveteth an evil covetousness

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fixed it is relating to the comfort in some way. Alright, I raised my voice sorry. No I am not, I am not sorry at all. I am not sorry at all. You should be sorry. You should, you should say Lord I have done that. I see that the Spirit of God spoke something just now and put a finger on some evil motives in my heart and I need to repent. You should be sorry, not me. Does that mean that you should not pray for revival or this, no I didn't say that at all. I said woe to him, all I did was say this, woe to him that coveteth. Do you know what covetousness is? It is an evil covetousness if you are trying to get everything to you and have it all safe and you are using God to make your earth life save instead of, you know what? Anybody that you ever have had admired at all in Christianity is somebody who didn't make their earth life safe and put everything on the line for Jesus. You know, so why should we admire you? I think this is good. This is good stuff. You know what, if I was sitting there I would be wanting you to share this with me. I would, I would be going, go dude. Even if I saw stuff in my heart I would go YEAH! Hit me with it baby. I need to get this ju... it needs to be confronted or it will just

go on and on and on.

You know, it has got to be about Him. What is His heart? What is He trying to do in the earth? Not what do we think He is trying to do. What is He trying to do? What does He care about? What is foremost in His heart? The joy of the Lord, the pleasure of the Lord, gives me strength to go on. You know what? Because when you live selfishly, for you self, you run out of strength, you get weary. But when you live for others you find strength that you don't have because you know what? It is not from you. Giving and living for others is the only way to be happy.

Living for self will make you miserable. But you say, "Look at that, look at that beautiful home, look at those cars, look at, look at, look, look." Well, I wish that you could come in to their house when nobody else is around and look. They are miserable, they are hateful, they are spiteful they are not happy. I know that you think that they are but they are not. They are not happy. You are only happy when you are giving you life away. Not when you are living to gain. You know, and I know,

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you know what, I know you think all these people are content because they have these big houses and big cars and stuff, until you realize that most of these people, this stuff is not paid for. Do you know that they have to work, you can forget 8 hour work days anymore they are pretty much gone especially for people higher up the rung, man it is 10 and 12 hours a day just to keep up with the bills. And they are getting stressed and stress leads to heart attack, you know? And they are stressed and they are worried. And if they get sick they are double dog worried, you know? And they don't have any where to look to but themselves and the insurance company which now the insurance company policies are not paying on what people have been paying. A bunch of them are not paying up, which is good. That way your source will be the Lord. You know? You say well I got to, you know, I got to get a bigger house. You get a big old house then you got to have a maid to keep it clean. Got a big front yard, so no lawn mower, you got to buy one of those big old tracker things. That costs a lot of money then you got to pay a guy to come out and drive it. On and on, you know what I mean? Before too long you go, well look, he has got maids, he has got... This guy is more in bondage than you are. OK, he is in bondage to these people he is hiring and these things that he is buying. They own him. He doesn't own them, they own him. You know, I would rather, you know Jesus or the scripture says it, "It is better to dwell in small house with contentment than a big house with them." Whoever they are. I don't know who. But I don't want to be there with them. I just want to be in a small house with contentment with the Lord. You know.

Alright, let us see here. I want to finish this verse 9.

### **Habakkuk 2:9**

**That he may be delivered from the power of evil.**

I want to, I want to set up my life in such a manner that I can be delivered from the power of evil. Where was the power of evil strongest manifest? At the cross, the hour and power of darkness, Amen? If Jesus had that mentality we would all be burning in hell forever. He was already set on high. He

was already delivered from evil, He already didn't know pain, He already had happiness. And He gave every ounce of that up for you and me. He didn't do that for Him. Anybody understand? I mean He gave that all up, came down here. You know what, we say dying on the cross, I tell you what dying is the easy part, living with us for 33 years would be hell. I mean we don't see it, there is no way we can understand that cause He was perfect, He never had a wrong motive every, a wrong thought, a wrong word. I mean we can't understand. He would just look around and go ahhh you know and ahhh ahhh ?????????? It is just everything is mass darkness and evil and to live thirty three years in the midst of that would drive you nuts. Unless, you didn't live there. You lived in the Father and that is what He said. That is what He said. But he went through all of that folks, not to have his house set on high so he wouldn't be with evil. He came down here and it says that, they do that, THAT, the word that means, with the purpose of, for the purpose of . You do that so that so and so may happen. There is a purpose that that points to. OK? He says that, he may be delivered from the power of evil. Well, the cross did not only not deliver Jesus from the power of evil. The cross delivered Him into the hands of the power of evil. And He died. But guess what? The dead raise. He rose victorious. OK? He didn't avoid it, you know if we just all avoid all this. I can avoid all the evil people of the world. If I can avoid, how does it say it again here? **“Be delivered from the power of evil.** We have got another life in us. We got a life that if we walk up to a leper, Jesus laid hands on a leper and said be healed. No body ever touched lepers. Nobody touched a leper because they knew, so there is a leper standing there, and he is even surprised Jesus approaches because they were required to, in their day, to

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go around everything and go around the cities and go around the streets, not on the street. And they were suppose to cry out, unclean, unclean, unclean. And they were lepers and their clothes were eaten and their bodies were eaten. And they walked along together, “Unclean, unclean.” They didn't say, “Well, I am doing pretty good.” or “I am having a good day today.” “Unclean” everyday. And nobody hugged them, nobody touched them. Nobody showed them any affection. And everybody see them and be repulsed. Not just self preservation but repulsed at what they saw. Jesus walked up to him and didn't go ??? send my word. I could just stand way over there and send my word. Remember, one guy said You send your word and that is good enough. Remember that? Jesus said, well I could just send my word, and they will be healed.

He didn't do that, He walked up to the guy and laid hands on him and instead of leprosy going in to Him and Jesus being burdened with the yuck of the world and being eaten up by it, virtue and life came out of Him ??? through Him and the world was changed just a little more by His life, by His touch by Him. That is what we are suppose to do. I mean, it is a dumb example but I remember when you guys had that brass, what was it? ??? poison Ivy and some people had touched and I think Deb touched you know they had gotten it and stuff I had been gone for a couple of days and I came back and you were standing over there you were eating alive with it man, you were standing there and I said ??? and I did like this and you said No no I got poison Ivy and everything and I said yeahhh and I dove on him and grabbed him and said I don't care. You know? Remember that? You know why I did that because of what I just said. Because of what I just shared. Because I believe that Christ is greater. Greater is he that is in me than He that is in the world. Anybody ever quote that scripture? But then we go huuu ahhh they are greater. They are not greater, He is greater. He is greater. And you are suppose to go in there.

Why do you think we go to Mardi Gras? I told them, the first time I ever mentioned it at the pastors meeting, ???, the first time I ever mentioned it at the pastors meeting we go to Mardi Gras every year you know what they said to me? What are you doing there? Oh my God, there are sinners and yuck and I mean there is the worse of ever there. I mean, that is why we go. I said we love to let the devil gather them all together, and then we come, you know? Let the devil do the gathering and then we come in there and we share. We live, we live, we live and we touch lives. You know, we don't even know all the changes that happen. But we are a light in a dark place when we go there.

Well, if we had this attitude folks, Mardi Gras would be the last place we would go, you know? But we don't just, it is not an attitude. It is a comprehension of the cross. It is truly comprehending the lamb and the cross and what this whole this is all about. And believe in it so much so that it is almost like, you know it is so dumb to say anything like this but it is like this chalk outline of the Lord is just below the surface of my skin all over me. I am so aware not just physically like what I am describing but I mean spiritually aware of the Life and nature of the Lord so much that there is almost no situation that I go in to that I am not fully aware that the vine wants to just bring forth, you know? And do something and I don't even have to know what He wants to do. And I don't even have to see results. I can go in the situation and say and do and leave and not go well did I do any good? Did I dadadada. What do you mean did I do any good? No, I didn't do any good, but He did and I believe that it is His life and His nature, and He's and I am not my own and I am just a branch and He is the vine in me and He is bringing forth fruit. He said He would and I believe His Word and I am excited, I am excited about that. Because that is the living vine. You know it is not just Christianity. It is not just well, I am a Christian. I am a Christian. And I am going to go in to this dark place and make a difference. Good Luck ????? it didn't say greater is Christians. I don't recommend any body go to Mardi Gras unless you got clothed with Christ. You know? Clothed with Christ. You know what, as a body we are, we are. So, anyway, I wanted to just point that out, that they may be delived from the power of evil but that is not the cross. And finally verse 10 and 11.

### **Habakkuk 2:10-11**

**Thou has plotted shame to thy house by cutting off many people and hast sinned against thy soul. For the stone shall cry out of the wall, and the beam out of the timber, shall answer it.**

Alright, I want to stop right there, because ummm, these next 5, 6, 7, verses are so good. They are so good. I mean, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, yeah 6 verses. Down to verse 17. They are sooo good. They have life in them. They have the vision they really have the vision. And they also have division. They have the vision and division. And division is going to be division between the earth and the heaven and you are going to see it. It is really clear cut and man he just goes shhh shhhh shhh. The Lord is so good, isn't He? Take the Sword and shh shhh shhh shhh Wow...woah you know you are just kind of WOAHHHH you know, have you ever seen that movie Zoro? Shhh shhh or even the show I never saw the movie. But I remember the ??? just kind of shhh shh shh you know and all this cutting and everything be done and you didn't feel anything or see anything. The Lord just comes with the Word of God and man He just, you know, that is what Isiah said that I am undone. I am undone, you know? Most of us think we are done, and you are not done, you know? I can prove it if I stick a fork in you, you will see that you are not done. Bad note to end on , got to do it.

Father, I just pray for next class, I pray for this class, Lord this time in Your presence Lord that Your Spirit is truly talking to us and we are not just hearing things. Not just, Lord but we are listening to what the dove descends upon and that is what is really important. Lord, I say a lot of things in a night like this, but it is not, nothing that I say is important except what the dove descends upon for each person. And that is He descends on Christ in different things and different areas. Father I pray that each person will not try to inhale everything that is said but will chew on and meditate upon the things that Your Spirit came down upon. And that Lord, will not take them lightly, will not take it lightly. But will give themselves to you Lord. Will give themselves to You Lord. So that you might be about Your completion in them even as they are complete in You. Father, I thank you for the hungry, for they shall be filled. In Jesus name. Amen