Christ Fellowship

"Habakkuk"

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Two Questions and Two Answers about the Truth for Life!

I.	Introduction, Hab 1.1
II.	Question One, Does the Lord Disregard Us? Hab 1.2-4 Question #1 from Habakkuk, a question we too ask, "How do you survive when it seems the Lord doesn't see, doesn't act, doesn't care about me or life, AND, everything around me is going down the tubes"?!?
III.	Answer One, the Lord Does Not Disregard Us! Hab 1.5-11
IV.	Question Two, Does the Lord Disregard Himself (by using the "unholy" Babylonians)? Hab 1.12—2.1 Question #2 from Habakkuk, a question we too ask, "How do you survive when the Lord acts far different than what you expected? Radically different"!
V.	Answer Two: the Lord Does Not Disregard Himself, He is Sovereign Over All! Hab 2.2-20 The phrase, "That the one who reads may run," can be taken two ways. Either the reading of the runner or the running of the reader. If it's the "reading of the runner," then the message of the Lord needs to be a bold, at a glance, not unlike a billboard, statement, quickly discernable. If it's the "running of the reader," then it becomes the guide for life when it's read. In actuality, it's both! Habakkuk's message from the Lord is both bold and clear for our direction in life! Wine is frequently associated with arrogance, greed, and social injustice in the Scripture (e.g., 1 Sam 30:16; Prov 31:4–7; Isa 5:11–12, 22–23; Amos 6:6).