

Asleep at the Wheel?

Habakkuk 1:1-11 Loren Pankratz August 17, 2025

I. Setting

- Shalmaneser V (722 BC) of Assyria laid siege to Samaria, and Sargon II of Assyria claimed the destruction of the Northern Kingdom of Israel in 721 BC (2 Kings 17:3-6).
- King Josiah of Judah was killed in a battle against Neco of Egypt at Megiddo in 609 BC- 2 Kings 23:28-30.
- King Nebuchadnezzar defeats Neco of Egypt and the Assyrians at the battle of Carchemish (605 BC)- Jeremiah 46:2
- Galatians 4:4- But when the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law.

•	Habakkuk lived during a tin	ne of,
	and	unrest.

II. Habakkuk Questions the Almighty

- Exodus 2:23- During those many days the king of Egypt died, and the people of Israel groaned because of their slavery and cried out for help. Their cry for rescue from slavery came up to God.
 Jeremiah 12:1- Righteous are you, O Lord, when I complain to you; yet I would plead my case before you. Why does the way of the wicked prosper? Why do all who are treacherous thrive?
- Matthew 27:46 And about the ninth hour Jesus cried out with a loud voice, saying, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"
- Mark 9:24- Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!"

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III. The Almighty Responds

- 2 Kings 20:14-...And from where did they come to you?" And Hezekiah said, "They have come from a far country, from Babylon."
- Acts 13:41- "'Look, you scoffers, be astounded and perish; for I am doing a work in your days, a work that you will not believe, even if one tells it to you.' "
- We can trust that God is always ____ and he's told us the _____, even if he does not tell us how his plan will unfold.

What's Going on at The Bridge Community:

As a church we want to "help people find Jesus and follow him fully." When we are following Jesus fully, we will be doing the following 4 things:



- 1. **Reaching** out in service to others.
 - Have a need?: If you or someone you know has a need please find at the bottom of our
 web page (www.thebridgeutah.org) you will find a link that says "Need Assistance?" This
 is the BEST way to notify several leaders know how we can help!
 - Serving at TBC: Jesus blesses us with time, talent, and treasure and plenty of
 opportunities to use it all for Him! Connect with Rob at rob@thebridgeutah.org.
 - 7th Annual Golf Tournament: August 23rd. All proceeds will benefit Safe Harbor Crisis Center for domestic violence. Sign up today in Church Center!



- 2. **Teaching** others to delight in God and obey His calling in their lives.
 - Sign up to go through a one-on-one discipleship program, Roots. Fill out the Get Involved card on the church center app, or contact Kevin at kevin@thebridgeutah.org.



- 3. **Growing** upward (in intimacy with God) and outward (in community)
 - Men's Ministry Bible Studies:
 - Bible Study on Tuesdays at 6:00am.
 - 1st Sat. of the month at 8am for coffee, donuts and discussion of God's word.
 - **Women's Bible Studies:** Beginning September 9th, weekly studies will pick back up on Tuesdays at 7:000pm at TBC, and Wednesdays at 7:00pm on Zoom. More info is available in the Church Center app.
 - **A Year With Jesus:** Join us as we read all four Gospels, three times this year! This month, we are reading through John. Read at your own pace in anticipation for Matthew in September!
 - **Small Group Leader Training:** Sundays, August 31st and September 7th at 12:45pm. If you are interested in learning more about hosting or leading a TBC small group this ministry season, please attend both dates. Lunch will be provided. Reach out to Kevin at kevin@thebridgeutah.org if you have questions.
 - Level Up Sunday: August 1st. As a new school year begins, youth and kids ministry teams will be shifting children and youth into their appropriate age groups. Thank you for letting us serve your kids!



- 4. **Going** and make disciples, seeking and saving the lost.
 - **Pray** for Church Plants and missionary work that we support:
 - Neighborhood Church in Daybreak, Utah.
 - Summit 419 in Coalville, Utah.
 - Haley Horton in Bulgaria.

Other Announcements:

- **Tithes and Offerings** may be dropped off in the giving box at the West sanctuary entrance. (Contact cards or Easter Response cards may be dropped here as well).
- **On-line giving information:** Give online at https://thebridgeutah.org/giving or through the "Give" icon at the bottom of our Church Center App.
- **Got Wifi?:** Network name: TBC Guest, and the password is: SimplyJesus.