



**“Getting Up”
Habakkuk 3
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There are times in life that you want to quit and sit. These are often the times when God seems to do the most. Many times I have someone come into my office ready to throw in the towel on life and they leave with a fresh new relationship with Jesus. With God, it is always too soon to quit. Getting up from discouragement is one of those “easier said than done” experiences. God is often the most powerful when we are the most desperate. In the life of Habakkuk, nothing had changed in his circumstances. Negativity was all around him. Nothing had changed on the outside. It would have been easy to quit. For a moment, it seemed like he sat in the mud of life. Then he got up. He chose to believe God in faith and he staked his life on that choice. You will never be disappointed when taking the sure-footed path of God over the slippery slopes of the world!

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Selections from Habakkuk 3: “1 Lord, I have heard of your fame; I stand in awe of your deeds, Lord. Repeat them in our day, in our time make them known; in wrath remember mercy. 4 His splendor was like the sunrise, rays flashed from his hand, where his power was hidden. 5 Plague went before him; pestilence followed his steps. 6 He stood, and shook the earth; he looked, and made the nations tremble. The ancient mountains crumbled and the age-old hills collapsed—but he marches on forever. 17 Though the fig tree does not bud and there are no grapes on the vines, though the olive crop fails and the fields produce no food, though there are no sheep in the pen and no cattle in the stalls, 18 yet I will rejoice in the Lord, I will be joyful in God my Savior. 19 The Sovereign Lord is my strength; he makes my feet like the feet of a deer, he enables me to tread on the heights.”

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1. **Habakkuk became more impressed by God than by Babylon!** (Ask yourself. Are you impressed by God or is God about as interesting as cement? Habakkuk took one look at mighty Babylon and one look at Almighty God and was rightly more impressed with God!)
2. **He remembered who God was, what God has done, and therefore what God can do.** (How big is God for you? Is He 21st century big where He is able to meet all of our needs and purposes? That’s what happens when we remember who He is!)
3. **He rejected a “God of the good times” approach to faith.** (Life is full of ups and downs. If you follow God in just the good times, then it is no wonder that quitting is such a temptation when the bad times come! God is not just the God of the good times. It is in the bad times when we need to trust Him most!)
4. **He remembered not just what God does in the world, but what God does in him.** (While it seems that God is managing earth, He also is working in you!)

Thank you so much for coming out to LifePoint today!
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