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Yet I will rejoice in the LORD

Habakkuk 3

Readings: Habakkuk 3:1-19

But the righteous will live by faith

- It is how we commence the Christian life Romans 1:17
- It is how we continue the Christian life Galatians 3:11
- It is how we complete the Christian life Hebrews 10:38

WORSHIPPING THE LORD - BY FAITH

WHAT IS IT? → WALKING WITH THE LORD ON THE HEIGHTS

The Sovereign LORD is my strength; he makes my feet like the feet of a deer, he enables me to go on the heights. 3:19

Through suffering:

- Some are propelled to the heights of Christ-like character

- Other are driven to the depths of anger, bitterness and despair

WHEN DOES IT HAPPEN? → CONCURRENTLY SORROWFUL YET...

*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 sheepfold and no cattle in the stalls, **yet** I will rejoice in the Lord, I will be joyful in God my Saviour. 3:17-18*

- Some Churches teach and many Christians believe that grief and suffering are signs of a lack of faith - which is a false gospel

- The Bible shows us that "being sorrowful, yet always rejoicing ARE THE TWIN PEAKS OF TRUE SPIRITUAL GREATNESS AND HEALTH IN CHRIST!"

2 Cor 6:10 "sorrowful, yet always rejoicing, poor, yet making rich, having nothing, and yet possessing everything."

HOW IS IT DONE? → REMEMBERING & REPEATING

"Do this in remembrance of Me"

"Our hearts forget what our minds remember"

REMEMBERING: What the LORD has done for you...

"You came out to deliver your people, to save your anointed one. You crushed the leader of the land of wickedness, you stripped him from head to foot." (3:13)

REPEATING: Who the LORD is to you...

Though yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will be joyful in God my Saviour. (3:17-18)

BECAUSE THESE DISCIPLINES nurture and sustain true rejoicing in the LORD

WHY IS IT POSSIBLE? → JESUS' EXODUS (LUKE 9:28-31)

Look how Habakkuk was transformed by meditating on Moses' Exodus

And consider how much more we know about Jesus' EXODUS

Questions For Our Growth Groups

1. What stood out to you most from the message and why?
2. Would you explain true worship as Habakkuk does in 3:19? And how do you respond in and through seasons of suffering?
3. Why is it vital that we grasp that being sorrowful YET rejoicing are the twin peaks of true spiritual greatness and health?
4. How do the disciplines of remembering what the LORD has done for you, and repeating who the LORD is to you, protect your heart from remembering "the good old days" and repeating your present sorrows and troubles? (See Psalm 77 and compare v3 with v11)
5. Meditate on Jesus' EXODUS until your heart melts and "the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts." Check out 2 Peter 1:17-19