

## **Does God Care ? Habakkuk 1:1-11 Outline**

### **I. Why do we sometimes think that God doesn't care? (verses 2-4)**

A. We pray but don't see God's answer right away. "How long, O LORD, must I call for help, but you do not listen?" (1:2a)

B. We're in trouble and God doesn't deliver us right away.

"How long, O LORD, must I . . . cry out to you, 'Violence!' but you do not save?" (1:2b)

C. We see the wicked triumphing over the righteous. "Why do you make me look at injustice? Why do you tolerate wrong? ... (v.3,4)

### **II. How do we know God does care? (verses 5-11)**

A. He assures us that He hears our every prayer.

"Look at the nations and watch — and be utterly amazed. For I am going to do something in your days that you would not believe, even if you were told." (v.5)

Does God **answer** every prayer? There are "conditions"

1. We must ask according to God's will. 1 John 5:14-15

2. We must also come to God with a pure heart. Psalm 66:18

B. God promises us that he will deliver us in his time.

"I am raising up the Babylonians, that ruthless and impetuous people, who sweep across the whole earth to seize dwelling places not their own." (vs.6-11)

C. God affirms that he will judge all evil in the world. (vs.6-11)

God answered Habakkuk, "I don't, and I won't. Judah will be judged for her sin." Ecclesiastes 3:17

D. The Gospel of Grace: 1 John 4:10 2 Cor. 5:21