

**“From Sobbing to Singing”**  
**Habakkuk 3:16-19**

The lessons which Habakkuk learned as he wrestled with the problems and injustices of life changed him from a complaining and doubting prophet to one full of great confidence in God. As we bring our study of this book to a close and consider the final verses of chapter 3, we will examine three outcomes which became real and evident in his life.

- I. Habakkuk possessed a strong faith in God even during a time when he admitted human weakness (v. 16).
  
- II. Habakkuk experienced abundant joy in the midst of disaster and troubling times (v. 17-18).
  
- III. Habakkuk developed great strength that helped him endure through his time of trouble (v. 19).

**How to handle the problems that are a part of the Christian life: A Review**

1. Recognize that problems are a normal part of life.
2. When problems come, take them directly to God.
3. Obey the first command (Matt. 22:37-38). How? Through your worship, service, fellowship and obedience.
4. Keep your eyes focused on the Lord. Consider all that He is and means to you.
5. Realize that when you doubt God, you are falling into Satan’s historic plan for your life.
6. Realize that God’s answers are not always understood.
7. Get into the Word.
8. Consider the lessons that God wants you to learn.
9. Separate yourself from your problems by committing them to God and trusting Him.
10. Endure your problems with anticipation.
11. Realize that God’s answer will come.
12. Develop a reverential fear of God.
13. Have the proper focus in prayer.
14. Remember God’s past faithfulness.

