MESSAGE OUTLINE

"Waiting in Faith" - Habakkuk 1:12-2:5

"Sometimes we just have to wait and have faith that God's plan is perfect."

- 1. Wait for it.
- 2. Live by faith.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

LEAN IN (get everyone involved in discussion)

What was the toughest subject in school for you to understand...and why?

LOOK DOWN (into God's Word) & LOOK UP (what should this look like in our church & world?)

- God had told Habakkuk (1:5-11) that He would raise up the Babylonians to come and bring judgment on Judah for their wickedness. As you look at Habakkuk's reaction in vv.12-17, what are some of his reasons for struggling with that plan? [especially vv.13, 17]
- Can you share about a time when you struggled personally with understanding God's plan?
- What are some typical responses when people don't understand God's plan?
- Look at 2:2, what assurance does God give Habakkuk? [God's plan will be accomplished] And what is the command in that verse? ["Wait for it"]
- Why is it so hard to wait for God?
- What are some things in our culture that have conditioned us to be impatient?
- Pastor Jeff said we're currently living in an "Already/Not Yet" reality (God has already saved us, but has not yet returned to restore all things). How does that truth help you wait for the Lord and His plan?
- What's the difference between the wicked man and the righteous man in 2:4?
- Why is humility necessary for faith?
- What was God asking Habakkuk to believe/have faith in? What truths about God's character are important to remember?

LOOK IN (how should I apply this to my own life this week?)

 What does it look like for you wait patiently for the Lord and believe that His plan is perfect?