

LIVE BY FAITH

I have good news. Although the world around us seems to deteriorate more day by day, the promises of God still stand true. The book of Jeremiah begins with a powerful reminder that God is watching over His word to perform it. (1:12) At times this means that judgement is coming. Israel is warned of this repeatedly and a conquering nation is knocking at their door. At other times it means a reminder that God is still in control and there is still hope! God speaks to Habakkuk and reminds him that the righteous live by faith (2:4) and that the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. (2:14) God has a plan for the salvation of His people. It's Him! In Him is salvation. (Jeremiah 4:7)

Habakkuk 1-3; 2 Corinthians 7

Zephaniah 1-3; Psalm 74; 2 Corinthians 8

Jeremiah 1-4; Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 9

Jeremiah 5-7; Psalm 75; 2 Corinthians 10

Jeremiah 8-10; 2 Corinthians 11

Every week, you'll see the same five content questions. Use them as a guide as you read the scriptures. Pray for consistency in your Bible reading.

1. Who are the main characters in this text and is there anyone you can relate to?
2. Is there anything from this text that we are to do (obey, believe, heed or follow)?
3. What do you learn about God in these chapters and how has that changed what you believe about Him?
4. What do these passages reveal about human nature, sin and our need for God?
5. What's the Good News found in this text?

Every week, you'll see five unique application questions. Use them to help live out what you're learning in scripture. Pray for life transformation.

1. How has God equipped you for his work? What are you doing with those gifts and skills?
2. If idolatry is adultery, how do you guard your heart against this?
3. What is the source of your joy? What do you delight in?
4. Do you see giving as participating in God's work? Do you give sacrificially joyfully?
5. When life is hard and full of struggles, what promises from God's word give you hope?

Just as it was for Israel, our hope is in the Lord. He is our salvation! He is the author and perfecter of our faith and endured the cross for us. (Hebrews 12:1-2)
That is good news!