

The righteous will live by faith(fullness)

Habakkuk 2:4b

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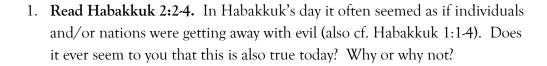
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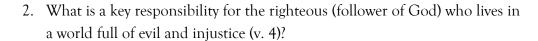
Lesson Aim: To discuss and apply the idea that the righteous (followers of Jesus Christ) are called to live by faith and faithfulness.

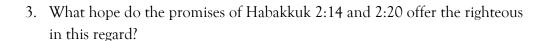


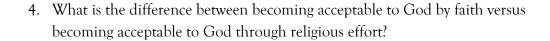
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Bridge LifeGroups are currently on summer break. We will continue to offer study questions each week in this more simplified format, which can be useful for personal devotions and/or discussion starters for LifeGroups that choose to meet for a portion of the summer months.









- 5. What is the difference between living by faithfulness in God versus always trying to earn God's approval?
- 6. What are some reasons we often try to separate the concepts of faith and faithfulness?



8. What are some ways you are sensing God is challenging you to live by faith/faithfulness?



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Close by praying through any needs that were mentioned and however else the Lord leads you.

This **LifeGroup** Study Guide is designed to help you apply Sunday's message. You can do this homework on your own; however we encourage you to check out our warm and friendly message-based **LifeGroups**! Get a copy of this Study Guide at theBridgeFresno.com by clicking on the "Resources" link.

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MYSTERIES REVEALED IN HABAKKUK 2

- ▶ MYSTERY #1: Are individuals and/or nations going to get away with evil forever?
 - **1** ANSWER #1: Nope! (Habakkuk 2:13, 20; Romans 14:12)
- ▶ MYSTERY #2: When all is said and done, who is going to come out on top in the end?
 - **◆ ANSWER** #2: God wins (Habakkuk 2:14; Numbers 14:21; Isaiah 11:9; Daniel 31-35, 44)
- ► MYSTERY #3: How do I get on the winning side?
 - ◆ ANSWER #3: The <u>righteous</u> person will <u>live</u> <u>by faith</u>. (Habakkuk 2:4b; Proverbs 10:25)

THE RIGHTEOUS WILL LIVE BY FAITH

- ► Commonly held myth: The righteous will live by religious effort.
 - Romans 1:17; 3:9; 6:23; Galatians 3:11; John 6:28-29; Ephesians 2:8-9

PRINCIPLE A: God's favor comes as a gift... righteousness in God's sight cannot be earned or deserved through our own efforts, abilities, or achievements.

True or False

2 True or False

3 (a) (b) (c) (d) (e)

THE RIGHTEOUS WILL LIVE BY FAITHFULNESS

- ► Righteous = an individual whose personality and behavior are acceptable to God
- Live = to be, think, speak, and act
- ► Faith = love for, always seeking, reliance on, hope in, obedience to & trust in God

PRINCIPLE B: You cannot separate <u>faith</u> and <u>behavior</u>. (cf. Hebrews 10:36-39)

PRINCIPLE C: The righteous believer is one in whom God's righteous <u>character</u> is <u>being</u> reproduced.

SUMMARY: He who has faith in God will be faithful to God.