

## **Get Real Part 5: Real People Have Questions**

### **Habakkuk 1:1-2, 13**

**The Big Idea:** "Real people have questions, but trust doesn't have to have all the answers."

**Intro:** Is it wrong to question God?

Even if sometimes the church hasn't made room for questions and questioners... the Bible does.

The biggest question that people have is 'Why?'

But questions like 'why' (and similar questions) have been asked MANY TIMES in Scripture, especially in the Psalms.

### **Three reasons people sometimes struggle with questions and doubts:**

#### **1. By believing false ideas about God - John 9:1-3**

If we believe wrong ideas about God, then we will fail to trust him. This causes people to doubt God's love and mercy. Many times, we aren't questioning 'God', we're questioning what other people have told us about God that didn't match our circumstances.

#### **2. Because of a failure to cultivate a personal relationship with God - 2 Timothy 1:12**

Without a deep personal connection to God, it becomes challenging to trust God when questions arise. After all, it's easier to doubt someone we barely know than someone we have a close, trusting relationship with.

#### **3. By valuing answers over trust - Proverbs 3:5-6**

We think the way to 'solve' doubt is by feeding it ANSWERS in order to satisfy it, but honestly, answers will never satisfy our doubts. We need to feed our doubt, not with answers, but with TRUST. Trust surrenders doubt over to God

### **Three remedies for dealing with questions and doubts:**

1. See doubts and questions as normal
2. Embrace the tension between faith and doubt
3. Practice Patience to let God work it out