

Men-Sharpen-Men
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9-11: Fifteen Years After

Scripture: Habakkuk Chapters 1 and 2

Background:

Fifteen years ago on September 11, 2001, 19 members of al-Qaeda, a terror organization, hijacked four commercial airline jets. Two of the hijacked jets were flown into the World Trade Center in New York City thereby destroying the buildings. Another plane was flown into the Pentagon in Washington, DC resulting in severe damage to the structure. A fourth plane crashed in Pennsylvania after passengers on board attempted to take control of the jet upon realizing the motive of the hijackers. Over 3,000 people died as a result of these terror attacks.

Sunday, September 11, 2016 marks the fifteenth anniversary of these attacks.

Discussion:

- 1) What do you remember about the 9-11 terror attacks? What were you doing at the time? Did you realize the extent of the destruction?
- 2) What was the mood of the country before and after the attacks? Has it changed in the past 15 years?
 - a. Security
 - b. Unity
 - c. Spiritually
 - d. Ethically
 - e. Morally
- 3) If the 9-11 attacks had not occurred, would life be different?
- 4) In your viewpoint, what did the country learn as a result of the 9-11 terror attacks? What did you learn as a result of this event?
- 5) Do you have a certain scripture that brought comfort to you after 9-11?
- 6) Look at Habakkuk 1:1-4, what is Habakkuk's complaint? Does this sound familiar? What is the Lord's response? What did it mean then and does it have any relevance today?
- 7) In chapter 2, is Habakkuk questioning God's response?
- 8) What can we learn by studying the writings of this prophet?