1. Habakkuk finds hope in the LORD
   a) Habakkuk 1:1-4 What was the historical context for the prophet Habakkuk’s anguished cry to the LORD?
   b) Who were some contemporary prophets who also experienced suffering and trials?
   c) What healthy decision did Habakkuk make during this time of intense trial? Habakkuk 2:1
   d) Habakkuk 1:5-11 The LORD’s response to Habakkuk doesn’t seem very encouraging. Why?
   e) What word of hope finally came from the LORD? Habakkuk 2:2-4
   g) Why is the concluding message of Habakkuk’s book something worth singing about?
   h) What other songs of hope can we sing during times of suffering and trial? Psalm 61:1-4, 143:7-11, etc.

g) Finally, the LORD answers Job out of a whirlwind. How does the response of the LORD provide hope to Job even though all his questions are not answered? Job 38:4-7 (Job 38-41)
d) What are your thoughts about Job’s confession recorded in Job 42:1-6?
e) How can we, like Job, find hope in the LORD even when we don’t have answers to all our questions?

3. Inspired counsel that brings hope during times of suffering and trial
   a) The recipients of the letter to the Hebrews had suffered greatly as followers of Jesus. (10:32-33) What important lessons can we learn from the inspired counsel recorded in Hebrews 12:1-13?
   b) What invitation from the LORD Himself gives us great hope during times of suffering? Psalm 50:15
   c) What other promises of God provide hope even in challenging times. Isaiah 41:10-13, Jeremiah 29:11-13, John 16:33, etc.
   d) Share a time when you found hope in the LORD during a time of suffering and trial.
e) How would you respond to a friend who says, “It’s not fair! I don’t deserve all this suffering. I feel like God has abandoned me. I have lost all hope!”?