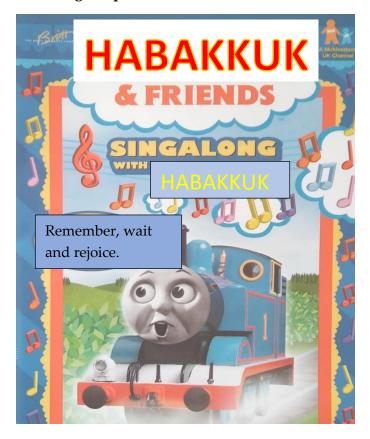
<u>Dig Deeper 28/2/21 – Habakkuk 3:1-19</u>



Optional starter: What references to God's rescue from Egypt can you find in verses 3-15? (You could look up Exodus 3:8, 5:1-3, 14:21-28, 19:16-19)

- 1) This chapter is different to the rest of the book, in that it's a Psalm (Optional: See if you can find parallels in Psalm 18). What does this mean for how we interpret it? How would Old Testament Jews have read this passage?
- 2) How does Habakkuk's remembering of the rescue from Egypt link to us remembering the cross?
 - a. How can we help ourselves to lift our thoughts away from our situation and think about God's rescue through Jesus?
- 3) Habakkuk responds in fear to God (v16) what might it look like for us to fear God as we remember His rescue?
- 4) What's your "Fig tree [which] does not bud"? How can you practically help yourself to remember, wait and rejoice in these situations of suffering?

"Lord, I know you have saved me through Jesus. I know you have defeated my sin at the cross and shown me mercy. I know your power, and I wait patiently and confidently for you to defeat evil, suffering and death when Jesus returns. And even though________, I will rejoice in God my Saviour. The Sovereign Lord is my strength; he makes my feet like the feet of a deer; he enables me to tread on the heights"