

# Workshop Session 4

# Habakkuk and Hope



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# Recap

- This world is broken but God hears
- He invites us to articulate the dissonance we experience
- We can help those we walk alongside to lament and reframe as we wait for the Lord to speak and act
- God is just – evil will not win in the end

# Truth 4: God enables and is worthy of our all

God's generosity does more than bring justice

He enables us to worship him even whilst experiencing fear and feeling under threat – even while we are waiting for him to make all things right

He enables us to persevere until the end no matter what the trial

# Truth 4:

## God enables and is worthy of our all

- What is the purpose of our lives?
- In what ways do your fears get in the way of worship?

Read Habakkuk 3:1-15

- This is an extraordinary prayer. What does it tell us about God's work in creation? What does it tell us about God's work of salvation?
- What does it show us about how God is acting towards us today?



God is worthy of our all on each and every day – even the hard ones

# Truth 4: God enables and is worthy of our all

Read Habakkuk 3:16-19

It is not easy to worship God amid fear but it is possible

- What does Habakkuk model for us in verse 16?
- How much desolation is Habakkuk anticipating?
- Yet what is he able to do? Why is he able to do this?
- What difference could worship make to your life?

# Skill 4:

## Praising in the pit

God invites us to be grace-hunters, constantly on the look-out for his blessings. He invites us to know that there is no such thing as an unhappy ending for those who are in Christ.

- How might you help Matt and Michaela develop gratitude?
- What are some of the traps to be aware of? (e.g. not glossing over the pain in order to find the good)

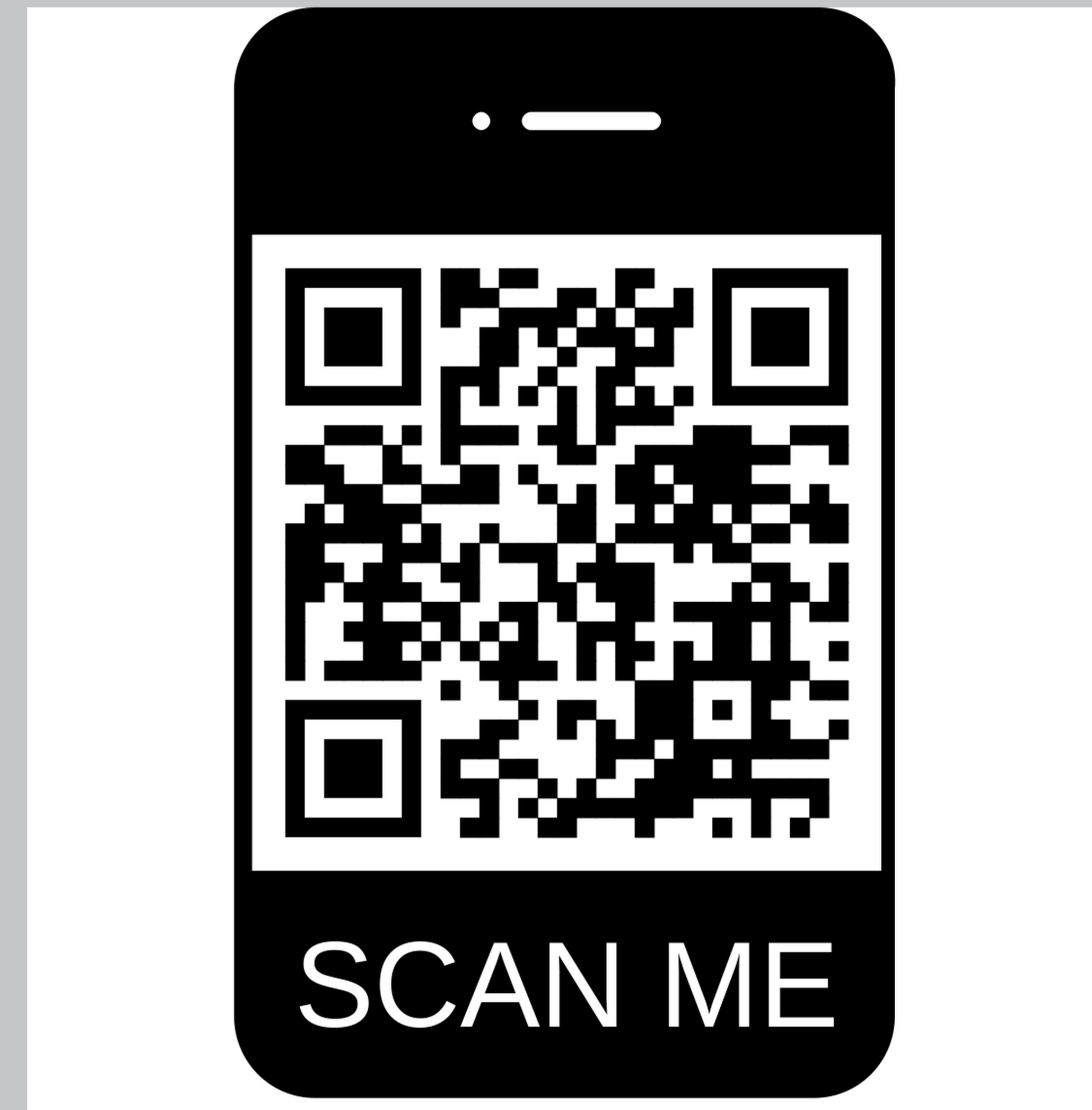
# Skill 4:

## Praising in the pit

- Pick a song that might speak to Matt and Michaela
- What words seem particularly relevant? Are there any echoes of Habakkuk 3?
- How would you apply them to their situation?

# Resource 4: Praising in the pit playlist

Spotify playlist: Praising in the pit



# Conclusion

- What has struck you from the book of Habakkuk?
- In what ways can you see real hope for those who are anxious?
- How might you use the book / the skills learned when you get back home?
- What is your prayer for yourself and your church as you reflect on this workshop?