Calm In The Midst Of Chaos

(Habakkuk 3:16-19)

Introduction: 1. We live in a time of crisis and chaos.

- 2. It's true of the world in which we live as well as the Lord's church.
- 3. Everything nailed down seems to be coming loose.
- 4. Attitudes are changing and stability is under attack.
- 5. This lesson simply reminds us of a few things we should be doing in times like these?

I. Live With Assurance

- A. (1 John 5:13).
- B. Why are we so timid and afraid to say, "I'm saved?"
- C. Some raise an eyebrow if we talk about grace and fail to talk about the possibility of falling from it.
- D. We need to know more about God's grace than just that we can fall from it.
- E. Surely we should warn of falling from grace (Gal. 5:4), but not to the exclusion of standing and rejoicing in it (Romans 5:2).

II. Love The Truth

- A. Truth sometimes hurts, but it never harms (1 John 5:3).
- B. So much of our modern "preaching" isn't preaching at all. It isn't even meddling. It avoids the negative and escapes the unpleasant.
- C. We don't need "truthful" sermons, we need sermons that tell us the "truth."

III. Remember Our Mission

- A. (Mark 16:15-16).
- B. Too often we cannot heal those wounded by Satan because we're too busy bandaging our own self-inflicted scratches.
- C. (Luke 19:10).

IV. Remember The Power of Prayer

- A. (James 5:16).
- B. (1 Thessalonians 5:17).
- C. (Matthew 7:7-11).

Conclusion: 1. In the midst of chaos, there is reason for a Christian to be calm.

2. Let's use the tools that God has given us, and make a difference.