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3. Who is he speaking to?
4. What is going to happen to the nation? Why?
5. How do the people feel about that? (v9-10)
6. What have they not done? (v13)
7. Who is going to be cut off?
8. Who is wicked? (v17)
9. How is wickedness described? Why? (v18)
10. What will they do to one another?
11. What are the questions God asks? What are the answers?
12. By the end of the passage, is God's anger satisfied? Why not?

Make it real

1. Who is the one who can satisfy God's anger?
2. How and why can He do that?
3. How does this passage show God's love?
4. What did He want the people to do in response to His anger?
5. "God is too harsh" – discuss
6. "I'm not that bad!" - discuss
7. Why must we not shy away from passages like this/ God's anger in general? What is the danger if we don't speak about sin?
8. Why is it important that, even as people who trust Jesus, to be reminded of the truth about His anger at sin?

Prayer ideas

- Take time to bring before God the many times we have sinned against Him.
- Repent of the many times we have gone against Him
- Thank Him for reminding you of what we once were, and what we truly deserve
- Thank our Father for sending His Son: God and man, to take on God's anger and judgement instead of us.
- Pray for boldness to speak God's truth, including the negative stuff, to people who need to hear it
- Ask Him to keep reminding us what we were, and how much a gift Jesus is to us.

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