

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY NOTES

Grace and Peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord;... 2 Peter 1:2

The Scriptural Process to Waiting on God

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What is the Scriptural Definition of Waiting on God?

Galatians 5:5 For we through the Spirit, by faith, are waiting for the hope of righteousness.

This Scripture Declares, We Are Waiting:

Waiting: To expect Fully and to Patiently Look For

- Prior to our salvation we had hopes born by our sinful nature birthed by lusts
- These were hopes of unrighteousness
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- Now that we are the redeemed of the Lord our hopes are born of righteousness
- Birthed by the Spirit of God within us
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- Like Mary when she received the word from the Angel Gabriel, *"The Holy Spirit will come upon you..."*
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- And just like Mary who had to wait for her cycle to be complete in order to give birth to her promise
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- We must wait for our cycle to be completed in order to receive our promises
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- Remember, God works in cycles, you can't change that
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- Some cycles are short, some cycles are longer
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- The full day takes only 24 hours to complete its cycle
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- While the Full Moon take a month to complete its cycle, and the Summer Solstice takes a full year...
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- And like Mary we need to rejoice in the waiting, flowing with the host of heaven giving praise to our God

While Mary was still waiting for her cycle to be completed and through all that she had to endure:

Luke 1:46 And Mary said: "My soul exalts the Lord, **47** And my spirit has rejoiced in God my Savior.

In Christ the promises of God are always Yes and Amen:

2 Corinthians 1:20 KJV - For all the promises of God in him [are] yea, and in him Amen, unto the glory of God by us.

2 Corinthians 1:20 AMP - For as many as are the promises of God, in Christ they are [all answered] "Yes." So through Him we say our "Amen" to the glory of God.

What is the Scriptural Process of Waiting on God?

Isaiah 40:27 NLT - O Jacob, how can you say the LORD does not see your troubles? O Israel, how can you say God ignores your rights?

Isaiah 40:28 Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth Does not become weary or tired. His understanding is inscrutable. **29** He gives strength to the weary, And to [him who] lacks might He increases power.

Waiting: Hebrew-*Qavah*- it is not a ceasing of life, or dormancy – Waiting is a process

- **Metaphorically translates to the binding or twisting together of a cord**
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- **Waiting on God means tightly binding your hope and faith to His promises, to His strength and Faithfulness**

In the waiting hold on to your believing:

Psalms 27:13 [I would have despaired] unless I had believed that I would see the goodness of the LORD In the land of the living.

Despair: – Hebrew-*la'ah* -to faint, to loose heart, to be crushed under the weight of circumstances, to give up hope

- **David said he would of despaired had he not believed...**
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- **The Land of the Living means in this life, not when we get to heaven....**

Psalms 27:14 Wait for the LORD; Be strong and let your heart take courage; Yes, wait for the LORD.

As You truly Wait on God His way, you will Mount Up with Wings Like the Eagles:

Isaiah 40:30 Though youths grow weary and tired, And vigorous young men stumble badly, **31** Yet those who wait for the LORD Will gain new strength; They will mount up [with] wings like eagles, They will run and not get tired, They will walk and not become weary.

- **Eagles mount up with their wings for the purpose of traveling great distances**
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- **They use their wings to catch the currents of the air and let the wind propel them**
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- **They also mount up with wings to navigate through dangerous and turbulent conditions**

Finally, we must prepare for the Suddenly:

Noah Prepared an Ark:

Genesis 6:13 Then God said to Noah, **14** "Make for yourself an ark of gopher wood;...

Genesis 6:17 "Behold, I, even I am bringing the flood of water upon the earth, to destroy all flesh in which is the breath of life, from under heaven; everything that is on the earth shall perish.

Genesis 6:22 Thus Noah did; according to all that God had commanded him, so he did.

Suddenly without any prior evidence, the Flood Came:

Genesis 7:11 In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, on the seventeenth day of the month, on the same day all the fountains of the great deep burst open, and the floodgates of the sky were opened. **12** The rain fell upon the earth for forty days and forty nights.

- **Noah prepared himself and the things in his life so that he would be ready for his suddenly**

The Disciples prepared for their suddenly:

Acts 1:4 Gathering them together, He (Jesus) commanded them not to leave Jerusalem, **but to wait** for what the Father had promised, ...

- **The disciples were faithfully waiting for the fulfillment of the promise**
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- **They prepared themselves for the Suddenly by gathering together and through prayer**
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- **So that they would be ready when the Suddenly appeared**

Acts 2:1 When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. **2** And **suddenly** there came from heaven...

- **I am a Father in the Faith, I have lived faithfully in the Lord for 5 Decades**
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- I have seen countless Suddenly's in my life as you will too
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- I have endured the long challenging times of waiting time and time again, as you will too

But I leave you with this word from the Lord:

James 5:10 & 11

As an example, brethren, of suffering and patience, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

James 5:11 *We count those blessed who endured.* You have heard of the endurance of Job and have seen the outcome of the Lord's dealings, that *the Lord is full of compassion and [is] merciful.*