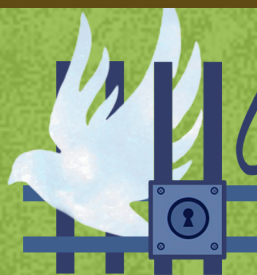


I wait [patiently] for the Lord
my soul [expectantly] waits,
And in His word do I hope.

Psalm 130:5



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Prayer Support Groups

On Wings Prayer Support Group
First Monday of each Month
On Wings Office:
455 S. Church Street
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Winston-Salem, NC
6:30 to 8:00pm

October 2: Pecolia Breathette
"The Authority of the Believer"
November 6: Richard Maas
"Emotions Meant to be Spent"

River Oaks Prayer Support
Monthly: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays
6:30-8:30 River Oaks Church
Room #4
Led by Jeff and Sherye Hall
They are studying
Addictive Thinking
by Abraham Twerski, M.D.

First Baptist Church in Sparta
Meets for Prayer Support
each Wednesday night at 6:30
Currently studying
"Entrusted" by Beth Moore
Led by
Joseph & Carolyn Caldwell

Ladies Bible Study

Tuesdays from
12:30 to 2:00pm at the office.

We are currently studying
Gideon by Priscilla Shirer.
Led by Kay Eylar



This study encourages
recognizing weakness as the
key that the Lord gives you to
unlock His strength in your life.
If you've felt insufficient,
ill-equipped, or incompetent
this study is for you.

How Are You Waiting?

by Sandra Kearns

I don't know about you but I don't normally wait well. Even as I turned on my computer, it said, "wait a minute"! In this world of instant everything we don't often want to wait on anything. I don't like waiting in the line to pay at the store, to wait in a Dr's office, to wait at a stop light, or especially to wait for a prayer to be answered. But I've often found it's not about what I like! Waiting is sometimes necessary so I might as well learn to do it with patience. But I've learned waiting doesn't mean there is no action on our part. There are still times I don't wait patiently but I have learned to prepare for the wait by taking a book or catching up on emails, or by writing a note or letter to a friend or one of my inmate pen pals.

Spiritually there are times we must learn to wait---wait on God! I remember painfully waiting on answers to our prayers for our prodigal--Lord, do it now. We want solutions to our problems now. After God's promise to return our prodigal from the enemies' camp in Jeremiah 31, it took 25 long years to see it come to pass. It always made me think of Abraham's promise of a son. That also took 25 long years. Then God asked him to lay him on the altar and he did without hesitancy. Oh, that I would be that obedient.

God has so much to teach us as we wait on Him. In my current waiting, He is teaching me to wait while worshipping Him. Praising Him even though I can't see the outcome. Also remembering His faithfulness through the years. Most importantly learning to trust Him during the storm--day by day. Focusing on Him and Who He is, not on my desires. Also doing what He last instructed me to do.

What are you doing in your waiting period? Are you praising Him for Who He is, or are you begging Him to do things in your way, your timing? Are you focusing your time in His presence on your problems, or are you listening for His still small voice to give you guidance and direction? Are you choosing to trust Him with your circumstances, or taking matters into your own hands like Abraham did? His decisions to jump ahead of God is still costing us today.

Wait on the Lord, and again I say, Wait!

a prayer while waiting on God

Dear Father

As my Creator, you know me
Even better than I know myself.
Patience doesn't come easy for me,
As if I have to tell you that.

God, I'm so sorry

For rushing ahead

When your hand hasn't opened the door
I'm sorry for complaining of boredom
When being still is much more
Than sitting quietly.

You shape my spirit through the still
And you mold my heart in the quiet.

Only then, I am ready to follow your will.
Will you change my perspective of this season?

Will you rekindle my love anew?

For I know the wait is not without reason;
May it draw me closer to you.

Amen

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**Praise Him
by lifting your hands**

Lift up your hands in the sanctuary
and bless the Lord.

Psalm 134:2

Praise Him with singing

Praise the Lord!
For it is good to sing praises to God:
for it is pleasant,
and praise is beautiful!

Psalm 147:1

Serve the Lord with gladness;
come before His presence with singing.

Psalm 100:2

Praise Him with your words

Therefore by Him let us continually
offer sacrifice of praise to God,
that is, the fruit of our lips,
giving thanks to His name.

Hebrews 13:15

**Praise Him
with dancing & instruments**

Let them praise His name with the dance;
let them sing praises to Him
with the timbrel and harp.

Psalm 149:3

**Praise Him in fellowship
with other believers**

I will declare Your name
to My brethren;
in the midst of the assembly
I will sing praise to You.

Hebrews 2:12

**My mouth will be filled
with Your praise
and with Your glory
all the day.**

Psalm 71:8



**MANY ARE THE AFFLICTIONS
OF THE RIGHTEOUS
BUT THE LORD DELIVERS HIM
OUT OF THEM ALL**

PSALM 34:19



Prayer Thoughts

by Janet Linville



**We Must Go Through Many Hardships
to Enter the Kingdom of God**
Luke 14:22

Beside my cottage door it grows,
The loveliest, daintiest flower that blows,
A sweetbrier rose.

At dewy morn or twilight's close,
The rarest perfume from it flows,
This strange wild rose.

But when the raindrops on it beat,
Ah, then its odors grow more sweet,
About my feet.

Often with loving tenderness,
Its soft green leaves I gently press,
In sweet caress.

A still more wondrous fragrance flows
The more my fingers close
And crush the rose.

Dear Lord, oh, let my life be so
Its perfume when strong winds blow,
The sweeter flow.

And should it be Your blessed will,
With crushing grief my soul to fill,
Press harder still.

And while its dying fragrance flows
I'll whisper love, "He loves and knows
His crushed brier rose."

(taken from Streams in the Desert)