



“The Benefits of Waiting on God”

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Texts: Micah 7:7-8, Psalm 62:1-2, Isaiah 40:28-31, Psalm 33:18-22, Psalm 145:14-21

Waiting on God to move and manifest what His word says He has done already requires total **confidence** and **trust** in Him to watch over His word and perform it.

Jeremiah 1:12 Then said the Lord unto me, Thou hast well seen: for I will hasten my word to perform it.

It's worth noting that the word hasten comes from the original Hebrew word **shaw-kad** which means **to be alert, to be sleepless, to be on the lookout, to watch for, to remain awake**. Also the word **perform** comes from the original Hebrew word **aw-saw** which means: **to accomplish, to make happen, to advance, to fulfill, to labor, to toil, to create**.

The question is not whether God will do what He promises in His word to do, but whether we trust Him enough to wait until He does. If we try to apply our own natural mind's understanding to trusting Him we'll become confused, fatigued, and discouraged because His way of doing His word comes from an eternal supernatural divine realm where He exist and operates supernaturally. We must trust and wait on Him to perform His documented promise word even though we

don't know how and when it will happen and come into natural or physical existence. We must actually realize He's already done the finished work as Jesus said in John 19:28-30.

Proverbs 3:5 Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

6: In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

7: Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the Lord, and depart from evil.

Please carefully notice how this next verse declares health resulting from trusting God with all thine heart and faith, and waiting on Him.

8: It shall be health to thy navel, and marrow to thy bones.

Let's look deeply at the word **trust** from the original Hebrew word **baw-takh** which means: **to be confident, or sure, to be bold, to be secure, to be careless, to have hope, feeling of safety, and security** felt when one can rely on someone without fear.

Although trusting in and waiting on God may get tiresome, frustrating, wearisome, bothersome, lonesome, and even angering it does have powerful benefits, and can give you the supernatural God might, and strength needed to weather the storms, trials, tests, adversities, and difficulties of life.

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In all honesty waiting on God may even become, aggravating. That’s why God has supernaturally endowed and empowered His kingdom sons with **all patience** and **longsuffering** with joyfulness according to Colossians 1:11.

James 1:2 My brethren, count it all joy when ye fall into divers temptation; 3: Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience.

Patience is what we exercise when waiting on God and it comes from the Greek word **hoopomonay** and means: **cheerful, hopeful, endurance, constancy, continuance, perseverance to remain under, bearing up under, suffering of faith, forbearance, tolerance.**

James 1:4 But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

Once we’ve trusted and waited on God long enough for patience and her full capacity to work in our lives and situations it yields her **perfect** and **entire** work in us making us a better person.

Please note the word **perfect** comes from the Greek word **teleios** and means: **complete in**

various application of labour, growth, mental and moral character, completeness, of full age, lacking nothing, full grown in mind and understanding in knowledge of truth.

Please note that the word **entire** comes from the Greek word **holoklayros** and means: **complete in every part, perfectly sound, whole, no lack.**

Sometimes waiting and seeing **no visible or physical evidence of change, improvement, or victory** can make you feel like you’re in a fallen or loosing state even though you actually have the victory according to I Corinthians 15:57, and II Corinthians 2:14, and you will arise and manifest it in due time or due season as declared in Galatians 6:9 if you don’t faint while waiting.

Also, please remember that everything God promises in His word was actually a finished work, and done when Jesus died on the cross and said, “It is finished” in John 19:28-30.

Please note that faint means to give up and not wait any longer.

Micah 7:7 Therefore I will look unto the Lord; I will wait for the God of my salvation: my God will hear me.

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According to Isaiah 65:24 He heard you before you called Him, so He’s already done the work that you are calling on Him to do. You just have to convince your mind that it’s done and wait on the natural manifestation to come in the natural realm. The natural realm and its manifestation must meet with and connect with the eternal realm where God has originally done everything.

Even in your seemingly fallen and darkened state God will be your light allowing you to sneak preview your morning joy, victory, and breakthrough that’s on its way just over the horizon.

8: Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy: when I fall, I shall arise; when I sit in darkness, the Lord shall be a light unto me.

Psalms 30:1-2 is loaded with benefits that come from waiting on God during trying difficult times. **Healing deliverance from the grave, favour, prosperity, mourning turned into dancing, sackcloth, and weeping turned into joy and gladness.**

Let’s take a good look at what Isaiah says **The Benefits of Waiting on God** are.

Isaiah 40:28 Hast thou not known? hast

thou not heard, that the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? there is no searching of his understanding.

His understanding is too vast, great, and complex for us to understand as He does, but He is moving and performing His word as He promises in Jeremiah 1:12.

29: He giveth power to the faint; and to them that have no might he increaseth strength.

When you’ve waited so long and you feel strengthless, He increases your strength with His strength. **More Strength! More Strength!, More Strength!**, even though you’re weak and weary from waiting. See also II Corinthians 12:9 on how when you feel weak from waiting God strengthens you supernaturally with His strength.

30: Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall:

31: But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

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A close look at the words **wait upon** gives us more clarity and understanding on what it actually means. The more we understand about what it means the more capable and willing we should be to do so and get all the benefits just cited in verse 31. These two words come from the original Hebrew word **kaw-vaw** which means: **to expect, to look for, hope for, depending on. Hoping, however, for what God has promised will not ultimately be disappointed, although it may not appear to succeed in the short run. The Lord will give strength to those who hope in Him (Ps 27:14, Isaiah 40:31) Because He is all powerful (Jer. 14:22), He will eventually bring His promises to pass (Lamentations 3:25).**

Jeremiah 14:22 Are there any among the vanities of the Gentiles that can cause rain? or can the heavens give showers? art not thou he, O Lord our God? therefore we will wait upon thee: for thou hast made all these things.

As we continue to trust, hope, and wait on God we should depend on His mercies and compassions on us His dear children. He begat us and sustains us to fulfill His divine purpose through us. We must trust in that divine purpose and believe He will fulfill and bring it to pass regardless of how long we have to wait for it. It's all already done in the eternal realm,

but our mind has to be activated to think it in the natural present realm, so that our mouth can speak it in the natural present realm so our body and life can experience it in the natural present realm.

Lamentations 3:22 It is of the Lord's mercies that we are not consumed, because his compassions fail not.

23: They are new every morning: great is thy faithfulness.

24: The Lord is my portion, saith my soul; therefore will I hope in him.

25: The Lord is good unto them that wait for him, to the soul that seeketh him.

Please note that the words **wait for** comes from the same Hebrew word **kaw-vaw** mentioned previously. Please refer to that definition for clarity, understanding, and strength to wait on God to move.

It is essential that we realize that every word God has promised to us in His word is pure and He and His promise word give us a shield of protection against all troubles and difficulties no matter how long they last.

Proverbs 30: 5 Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him.

Proverbs 20:22 Say not thou, I will

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recompense evil; but wait on the Lord, and he shall save thee.

Again please refer to the previously mentioned Hebrew word kaw-vaw for wait on and what the definition says. Note that the word save comes from the Hebrew word **yaw-shah** and means: **to help, to deliver, to defend, to rescue, to be safe, deliverance from tribulation, deliverance from certain death, compassionate aide in time of need, salvation that only comes from God.**

Job 14:14 If a man die, shall he live again? all the days of my appointed time will I wait, till my change come.

The word wait in this verse comes from the Hebrew word **yaw-chal** and means: to be patient, hope, tarry, trust.

We must convince our mind by making it process thoughts that reflect what God has already done for us by grace through the finished work of Jesus on the Cross at Calvary. The blood Jesus shed provided what was necessary for our salvation, healing, deliverance, prosperity, victory, wholeness, success, and forgiveness that God's love, grace, and mercy allowed. No wonder I Peter 2:24 states that through His stripes we were healed. No wonder Psalm 107:20 states He

sent His word and healed us and delivered us from destruction. Jesus was the word made flesh that God sent to heal us. Please note that these verses declared healing work that's already done and finished. We just have to renew our mind to it being a finished work so we can trust and wait on God to allow it to release from His divine unlimited power working in us as Ephesians 3:20 declares. Our mind when renewed adequately can convince our body, our finances, our career, our marriage, and our life that what God declares about us in His word is a finished work that we are coming into a believing agreement with as we trust and wait on Him to reveal or manifest it in the natural present realm that we currently live in.

Notice what happened in John 19:28-30.

John 19:28 After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled, saith, “I thirst”.

29: Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar: and they filled a sponge with vinegar, and put it upon hyssop, and put it to his mouth.

30: When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he said, It is finished: and he bowed his head, and gave up the ghost.

At that instant all the blood shed was sacrificed

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for grace to go into force and grant believers full complete access to New Covenant entitlement rights as heirs of salvation and all its privileges and provisions. We then became as Romans 8:17 says joint heirs with Christ co-owning all New Covenant promises, privileges and blessings with Him. No wonder II Peter 1:3-4 says God’s divine power hath given unto us **All Things** that pertain to life and Godliness. No wonder Romans 8:32 says that through His son Jesus God gives us All Things freely.

We must convince our mind and thinking that everything God promises in His word is already done and finished in the eternal spirit realm where God operates. We must make our minds relate to that eternal spiritual reality. We must realize that natural man’s natural world reality is not like or higher or greater than God’s eternal spiritual reality that makes our healing, deliverance, victory, breakthrough or miracle a settled finished work.

A careful study of Ecclesiastes 1:1-11 will show you that in the circle of life we’ve experienced all we are challenged by now in this natural present realm. In some eternal dispensation we overcame and were victorious but we have no remembrance of it. We experienced victory and deliverance in some previous eternal dispensation giving us the eternal experience to experience breakthrough, healing, victory,

and deliverance in this present natural dispensation if we completely and confidently trust in and wait on God.

Ecclesiastes 1:9 The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun.

Somewhere, somehow in some previous time or dispensation that God doesn’t allow you to recall your eternally experienced deliverances in the same place or way you’re waiting on and trusting God for deliverance now. But remind your mind and yourself that it’s been done before and will be repeated and done again now in this time and realm according to the wisest richest man who wrote the verses. What’s been done or happened will be done or happen again. Just wait and see.

10: Is there any thing whereof it may be said, See, this is new? it hath been already of old time, which was before us.

Don’t try to remember it being in another dispensation because you can’t. God doesn’t allow memory of it because it’s eternal and doesn’t need to be part of your present natural memory storage bank of your mind and intellect.

11: There is no remembrance of former

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things; neither shall there be any remembrance of things that are to come with those that shall come after.

God is going to bring you full circle to where your current waiting and trusting Him will eventually be no more than a light affliction which in essence is just for a moment even though in this present natural realm dispensation it seems like forever and unchangeable. But it's actually working for you a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory according to II Corinthians 4:16-18.

Instead of focusing on the present natural condition or circumstance, force your mind to imagine you in Psalm 30:5 morning joy deliverance. Also imagine in your mind your morning turned into dancing and your sackcloth misery turned into gladness as Psalm 30:11 says so clearly.

Your imagination is your Faith stretched or extended into the supernatural eternal God realm which overrides the present natural realm and what is going on in it. If you keep trusting and waiting, it will all come full circle and your breakthrough, victory, and deliverance will manifest and God will be glorified.

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