

Wait With Glad Expectation – Part 5

Intro: God's promises are conditional, so if you obey the conditions specific to a promise, you will receive that promise.

Part 1

A. Wait Correctly.

1. But they that **wait** [*who expect, look for, and hope in Him*] upon the LORD shall renew their strength *and power*; they shall mount up [*close to God*] with wings as eagles [*mount up to the sun*]; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint or become tired. Isa 40:31 (NKJV, AMPC)
2. Strong's Concordance H6960 Hebrew meaning of "**wait**" means "to bind together (perhaps by twisting) that is, collect; (figuratively) **to expect**: - gather (together), look, **patiently**, tarry, wait (for, on, upon)."
 - a. Eccl 4:12 (The Message) By yourself you're unprotected. with a friend you can face the worst. Can you round up a third? A three-stranded rope isn't easily snapped.
 - b. Eccl 4:12 (NKJV) A threefold (braided/twisted) cord is not quickly broken.
3. A few of Merriam-Webster's Online Dictionary definitions of "**wait**."
 - a. To stay in place in expectation of; to look forward expectantly; to be ready and available; a state or attitude of watchfulness and expectancy.
4. Wait patiently with expectation.
 - a. Wait for something desired.
 - b. Wait for your prayers to be answered.
 - c. Wait for a goal to come actually happen.
 - d. Wait for a baby to be born like an expectant mother.
 - e. Wait until the doors of opportunity open.

Part 2

B. Wait Incorrectly.

1. Postponement, procrastination, complacency, slow down, rushing, haste, deferment, disappointed, discouraged, depressed, get tired, give up, quit.
2. Discontentment, lack of faith (doubt, unbelief), and impatience.
 - a. Waiting is not complacent doing nothing.

- b. It is patiently expecting in faith looking forward to seeing what you hope for as if it has already turned into a manifested reality.
- 3. Hope deferred makes the heart sick, but when the desire is fulfilled, it is a tree of life. Prov 13:12 (AMPC)
- 4. Use **The Power Triplets**.
 - a. They are synergistically more powerful together than the sum of all three individually.
 - b. The Power Twins of Faith and Patience are joined with Contentment:
 - c. When you have **faith** and **patience**, with **contentment**, promotion comes. 1 Tim 6:10; James 1:2-4
1 Tim 6:6
 - d. Learn to be content. Phil 4:11b
 - e. 1 Tim 6:10 (NKJV) For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, for which some have strayed from the faith in their greediness, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.
 - f. 1 Tim 6:10 (AMPC) For the love of money is a root of all evils; it is through this craving that some have been led astray and have wandered from the faith and pierced themselves through with many acute [mental] pangs.
 - g. James 1:2-4 (AMPC) 2 Consider it wholly joyful, my brethren, whenever you are enveloped in or encounter trials of any sort or fall into various temptations. 3 Be assured and understand that the trial and proving of your **faith** bring out endurance and steadfastness and **patience**. 4 But let endurance and steadfastness and patience have full play and do a thorough work, so that you may be [people] **perfectly and fully developed [with no defects], lacking in nothing**.
 - h. 1 Tim 6:6 (AMPC) [And it is, indeed, a source of immense profit, for] godliness accompanied with **contentment** (that contentment which is a sense of inward sufficiency) is great and abundant gain.
 - i. Phil 4:11 (AMPC) Not that I am implying that I was in any personal want, for I have learned how to be **content** (satisfied to the point where I am not disturbed or disquieted) in whatever state I am.

Part 3

C. Wait Upon the Lord.

- 1. [God says,] I will restore *or replace* for you the year that the locust hath eaten. Joel 2:25 (NKJV, AMPC)

2. Ask God for help instead of quitting.
 - a. Jalen Hurts has a testimony of not quitting and had an incredible come back by consistently seeking God and studying the Bible.
 - b. He is a good example of how faith, patience, and contentment caused him to wait with glad expectation to achieve his goal.
3. Wait upon the Lord with patience expecting to be set free from the challenges of the past.
4. Wait upon the Lord with patience expecting to have a better future regardless of the great challenges and circumstance you face that may seem overwhelming.
5. Wait upon the Lord with patience expecting new doors to open when windows have closed.
6. Wait upon the Lord with patience expecting that although everything around you seems challenging and depressing that God will restore or replace what the devil has taken from you.
7. Wait upon the Lord with patience expecting the healing that you have been waiting for so long no matter what the diagnosis.
8. Wait upon the Lord with patience expecting positive change even though it doesn't seem likely.
9. Wait upon the Lord with patience expecting prosperity in a time of economic challenges.
10. Wait upon the Lord with patience expecting divine protection and provision during the End Times.
11. That's what it truly means to **wait** upon the Lord correctly!

Part 4

D. Wait With Glad Expectation to get Power, Promotion, Prosperity, and Perfection.

1. Incorporate these truths into your lifestyle.
2. **Affirm:** In the Name of Jesus, I wait upon You Lord. I expect, look for, and hope in You. I continually renew my strength and **power**. I mount up with wings as eagles. When I run, I will not be weary; and when I walk, I shall not faint or become tired. (Isa 40:31 NKJV, AMPC)
3. **Affirm:** In the Name of Jesus, God **promotes, prospers, and perfects** me because He helps me to operate in faith, patience, and contentment. (1 Tim 6:10; James 1:2-4; 1 Tim 6:6)

4. **Affirm:** In the Name of Jesus, I decree that my prayers have been answered and I have new victories because I **wait** upon You, Lord, **with glad expectation for power, promotion, prosperity, and perfection!**

Part 5

E. Wait for God's Restoration.

1. Psalm 51:12 (NKJV) Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, and uphold me by Your generous Spirit.
2. Joel 2:25 (KJV) And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you.
3. Joel 2:25-32 (AMPC)
25 I will restore or replace for you the years that the Locust has eaten—the hopping locust, the stripping locust, and the crawling locust, My great army which I sent among you. 26 And you shall eat in plenty and be satisfied and praise the name of the Lord, your God, Who has dealt wondrously with you. And My people shall never be put to shame. 27 And you shall know, understand, and realize that I am in the midst of Israel and that I the Lord am your God and there is none else. My people shall never be put to shame. 28 And afterward I will pour out My Spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions. 29 Even upon the menservants and upon the maidservants in those days will I pour out My Spirit. 30 And I will show signs and wonders in the heavens, and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. 31 The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. 32 And whoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be delivered and saved, for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the remnant [of survivors] shall be those whom the Lord calls.
4. Prov 6:31 (AMPC) But if he [thief] is found out, he must restore seven times [what he stole]; he must give the whole substance of his house [if necessary—to meet his fine].
 - a. Make a list of everything the devil has stolen from you for God to restore.
 - b. Example: Joy, peace, patience, money, time, reputation, sleep, relationships, business, inheritance, shame, etc.