

A FAITH THAT HANDLES DELAYS
James 5:7-11
A FAITH THAT WORKS SERIES
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James 5:7-11 (GNT) ⁷ Be patient, then, my friends, until the Lord comes. See how patient farmers are as they wait for their land to produce precious crops. They wait patiently for the autumn and spring rains. ⁸ You also must be patient. Keep your hopes high, for the day of the Lord's coming is near. ⁹ Do not complain against one another, my friends, so that God will not judge you. The Judge is near, ready to appear. ¹⁰ My friends, remember the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. Take them as examples of patient endurance under suffering. ¹¹ We call them happy because they endured. You have heard of Job's patience, and you know how the Lord provided for him in the end. For the Lord is full of mercy and compassion.

WHEN IS WAITING PATIENTLY AN ACT OF FAITH?

1. WHEN CIRCUMSTANCES ARE _____.
James 5:7-8
2. WHEN THE TRUTH IS _____.
James 5:10-11a
3. WHEN PAIN IS UNBEARABLE AND _____.
James 5:11

WHAT SHOULD I REMEMBER WHILE I'M WAITING?

1. GOD IS IN CONTROL (James 5:7-9)
2. GOD REWARDS PATIENCE (James 5:11; Galatians 6:9)
3. THIS IS NOT THE END OF THE STORY (James 5:11b; Jeremiah 29:11)

HOW DO I TRUST GOD DURING A DELAY?

1. LIKE FARMERS, WAIT EXPECTANTLY!
Psalm 130:5(LB) Isaiah 49:23
2. LIKE THE PROPHETS, WAIT WITHOUT _____!
Lamentations 3:26
3. LIKE JOB, WAIT _____!
Job 14:14; Isaiah 40:31; 2 Peter 3:9