
Progress, Not Perfection

“Good Things Come To Those Who Wait”

Isaiah 40:25-31

11-14-21

Introduction: We are in the midst of a series where we are focused on the need to grow moments life imposes on us.

1. None of us have all the answers. We live in a broken world. As a result, we will fail, make mistakes, experience loss, struggle with fear, etc.
2. All of these moments are growth opportunities. Sadly, they are also an opportunity for sin & Satan to get a foothold in our lives.
3. When this happens, the opportunity for growth is lost & spiritually we suffer a setback. Thus, the need for a series like this.
4. This morning we tackle those moments in life that require us to wait.
5. Impatience & the desire for immediate gratification can hinder our growth.
6. So, today we will learn to wait.

I. What Does It Mean To Wait?

- A. Waiting Is Trust/Dependency
- B. Waiting Is Being At Rest/Peace
- C. Waiting Includes Activity
- D. Waiting Has A Goal

II. What Are The Benefits Of Waiting?

- A. Strength

B. Elevation

C. Stamina

Conclusion: We live in an age where everyone is in a hurry & no one wants to wait for anything.

1. In that culture we can be dominated by the tyranny of the urgent.
2. In contrast, it has been said, *good things come to those who wait*.
3. God can give us more than we can ever acquire on our own.
4. If we are so impatient that we go it alone & make it happen, we will forfeit what He wants to give us.
5. He cannot pour His riches into hands already full.
6. So today, let me challenge you to wait.
7. By waiting, you will be stronger, soar higher, last longer than you could ever be or do on your own!