

What Does It Mean To Wait On The Lord?
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As Believers, we are in a season of uncertainties and challenges that no doubt necessitate we wait on the Lord. We are waiting on the Lord because we know that He is the only one that can guide us through this season of human uncertainty. This season is not uncertain to God, because He knows exactly what is going on and what will happen in the coming days, months, and years, in other words there is nothing about this season that has caught God by surprise. This season has already played itself out in eternity past and is revealing itself in eternity present, and by the grace of God, we as believers will enjoy the rewards of this season in eternity future.

From a biblical prospective what does it mean to wait on the Lord? Waiting on the Lord is depending on Him and subjecting our will and timing to His desires. From a layman standpoint it means to stop worrying about our current situation or circumstances because we have no control, power, or authority over what is currently happening. We must wait patiently on a loving God who has not only the power to stop, alter or eliminate the situation or circumstances totally at any time He desire. God and God alone has total and absolute power and authority over everything, so we wait for God to act and deliver us from current crisis.

- **James 1:4**
- **Philippians 4:6-7**
- **1Peter 3:5**

There are things that God desires us to do while we are waiting on Him. God wants us to be patient, to have faith in Him and to seek Him through sincere prayers.

- **1Thessalonians 5:16-18**
- **James 5:16**
- **1John 5:14-15**
- **Hebrews 4:16**
- **Philippians 4:6-7**

Sometimes God allows us to wait, so that His glory can be revealed at the appropriate time, so that our lives might be changed by the manifestation of His glory and His power.

- **John chapter 11** (emphasis on verses 45 and 46)

Waiting on the Lord can yield positive results, if we seek Him with our whole heart, mind, and soul while we are waiting. The manifestations of waiting and trusting the Lord are peace and strength.

- **Psalm 27:13-14**
- **Philippians 4:7**
- **Isaiah 40:31**

One day in the future, yet closer today than yesterday, all our waiting will be over, and the rewards of the waiting will be revealed:

- **Romans 8:18-19**
- **Revelation 21:1-6**

While we are waiting patiently on the Lord, we must remember what the Word of God says to believers in the book of Romans.

- **Romans 8:28**