

# "WAIT"

Word searches in the Bible are always interesting - - just look at the word "WAIT".

How difficult is it to "wait"?

Mom and Dad would often say "wait" or "wait in the car"...

A common expression of the military service was to "hurry up and wait".

How painful it is to **wait**? Yet the Lord tells us to do just that – to **wait** - (*to stay in place or remain inactive in expectation of; to delay until the proper condition has come about – MWD*).

Curious how "waiting" and "depending" often share the same qualities. Enjoy this collection of verses as you learn to "**wait upon the Lord**".



**Genesis 49:18** "For Your salvation I **wait**, O LORD.

**Psalms 25:3-5** Indeed, none of those who **wait** for You will be ashamed. . . make me know Your ways, O LORD; teach me Your paths. Lead me in Your truth and teach me, for You are the God of my salvation; **for You I wait** all the day.

**Psalms 27:14** **Wait for the LORD**; be strong and let your heart take courage; YES, **wait for the LORD**.

**Psalms 37:7-9** Rest in the LORD and **wait patiently for Him**; do not fret because of him who prospers in his way, because of the man who carries out wicked schemes. <sup>8</sup> Cease from anger and forsake wrath; do not fret; *it leads* only to evildoing. <sup>9</sup> For evildoers will be cut off, but **those who wait** for the LORD, they will inherit the land.

**Psalms 52:9** I will give You thanks forever, because You have done it, and I will **wait on Your name**, for it is good, in the presence of Your godly ones.

**Psalms 62:5-8** **Patiently wait for God alone**, my soul! For he is the one who gives me confidence. <sup>6</sup> He alone is my protector and deliverer. He is my refuge; I will not be upended. <sup>7</sup> God delivers me and exalts me; God is my strong protector and my shelter. <sup>8</sup> Trust in him at all times, you people! Pour out your hearts before him! God is our shelter! *NET Bible*

**Psalms 147:11** The LORD takes delight in his faithful followers, and in those who **wait for his loyal love**. *NET Bible*

**Proverbs 20:22** Do not say, "I will repay evil"; **wait for the LORD**, and He will save you.

**Isaiah 40:31** Yet those who **wait for the LORD** will gain new strength; they will mount up with wings like eagles, they will run and not get tired, they will walk and not become weary.

**Isaiah 49:23** "... you will recognize that I am the LORD; those who **wait patiently** for me are not put to shame. *NET Bible*

**Lamentations 3:25** The LORD is good to those who **wait for Him**, to the person who seeks Him.

**Micah 7:7** But as for me, I will watch expectantly for the LORD; I will **wait for the God of my salvation**. My God will hear me.

**Zephaniah 3:8** "Therefore **wait for Me**," declares the LORD,..."

**Romans 8:25-28** But if we hope for what we do not see, with perseverance **we wait eagerly for it**. <sup>26</sup> In the same way the Spirit also helps our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we should, but the Spirit Himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words; <sup>27</sup> and He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. <sup>28</sup> **And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose.**

**Philippians 3:20** For our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we **eagerly wait** for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ.



**Waiting** requires **patience** – now that sounds like a fruit of the Spirit...

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