

The Key to Making It Through Your Hard Season of Waiting

Waiting is so hard! But in one way or another, we are all waiting. Whether we seem to have it all or have the weight of the world on our shoulders, we're all waiting for something—waiting for change, waiting for answers, waiting for healing, waiting for things to get better. No matter how good life gets, every human being—rich or poor—will always need something.

I believe one of the reasons so many people give up and lose hope while waiting on God is because they feel that where they are right now is going to be forever. Don't fall into that trap. This waiting season is only temporary. As you are standing between your prayer and the receipt of your answer, remember this: your blessing is worth the wait. Instead of quitting, you should take on the attitude of a winner and keep believing. Hope against hope as Abraham did when God promised him he would be the father of many nations (Rom. 4:18-22). It took 25 years for his promised child to arrive, but God brought the blessing into Abraham's life in His perfect timing.

What if you are just one step away from your promised miracle? I saw a photo some time ago that showed a man digging through a cave. The image revealed that just on the other side of the rocky wall he was digging through was a big pot of gold. The man took one last swing and then gave up, but if he had taken just one more swing, he would have reached his treasure.

This image teaches us a lesson. Sometimes when we feel as if we have been waiting forever, we quit, and we miss out on our treasure. Don't miss your blessing because you choose to give up. Be the one who is able to testify that you waited on God's perfect timing, and the Lord brought forth your blessing right

on time.

I can promise you this—waiting on God isn't always easy, but it's always worth it. Be encouraged. Don't give up. Wait so you can win!

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This week as we honor mothers, remember those “mothers in the church” who are instrumental in influencing you and those coming behind you. Thank God for those He has lifted up and placed as pillars of faith in the church. Remember our president and those working with him to ensure our peace and prosperity. Continue to pray for the peace of Jerusalem and worldwide revival. Read Psalm 27:14 and Philippians 3:14.