

## **Wait With The Lord**

### **Isaiah 40:27-31**

#### **Teach Me Lord, To Wait**

Topic picked a song this time

Not one we sing, but important message for us

A plea to God for help in letting Him work thru me.

To overcome the urge to act on my own without His guidance

We need to seek His help, even in waiting for His help

#### **Patience**

**Verse 1** - Teach me, Lord, to wait right down on my knees; Till in Your own good time You will answer my pleas. Teach me not to rely on what others do; But to wait in pray'r for an answer from You.

Important we wait WITH God, not just ON God

Verse reminds that trusting God means being with God

Prayer is our help in letting God work for us

Rely on God rather than others or self

Patience brings promise - **Genesis 15:1-6; Genesis 45:4-15; Luke 1:26-38**

God's timing is sufficient - **Lamentations 3:25-26**

We cannot see what God is doing 'behind the scenes'

#### **Humility**

**Verse 2** - Teach me, Lord, to wait while hearts are aflame. Let me humble my pride and call on Your name. Keep my faith renewed, my eyes on You. Let me be on this earth what You want me to be.

Hardest time to 'wait' is when emotions are highest

Pride is one of the biggest 'firestarters' in human history

Destroyed families, nations, churches

Must learn to temper self against such explosions of emotion

Focus on SERVING God shuts down pride

God is our regulator - **James 1:19-22**

Confidence is in God's Strength - **Isaiah 40:28-31; Psalm 27:13-14**

Patience in God's Timing - **James 5:7-10; Habakkuk 2:2-3; Romans 8:24-25; Galatians 6:9**

#### **Strength**

**Chorus** - Those who wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength. They shall mount up with wings like eagles. They shall run and not be weary; They shall walk and not faint. Teach me, Lord, teach me Lord, to wait.

Our reward comes as God strengthens us through our trials - **James 1:2-7**

Without the tempering of patient waiting we will fail when our work gets difficult

Tempering a knife or sword provides strength and longevity - **Isaiah 40:31**

#### **Depend On The Lord**

Waiting depends upon consistent prayer and trust

It will grow our relationship with God and strengthen our faith

He will always help His children

Seek the strength that comes from Waiting With The Lord

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