



Life In Christ – God’s Perfect Timing

Psalm 40:1-17

Introduction

- Patience is a virtue... “waiting calmly is a good trait.”
- Patience is one of the hardest virtues or traits to conquer and to maintain.
- We pray to an Omnipotent God...He is **All Powerful!**
- We know God can do anything at any time, in fact He desires to help us (**Psalm 34:8-10**).
- So, when we ask God to intervene in our circumstances, why is there often a delay?
- Simply wait upon Him. So doing, we shall be directed, supplied, protected, corrected, and rewarded –
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1. God Hears Us and Helps Us (v. 1-3).

- God is not in a hurry. When we get in a hurry, we might miss out on the “best.” → Good is the enemy of Great.

2. God’s Ways are Better (v. 4-5).

- The world is full of faulty wisdom and lies.
- When we are tempted to follow after the world, we will miss out on God’s wonderful works.
- How can the thoughts God has for us give us strength and comfort?

3. God’s Will is Written on Our Hearts (v. 6-8).

- How do we know what God’s will is? (John 4:34)
- When we Delight in the Lord, He guides us to follow His will. (Psalm 37:3-6)

4. Worship While we Wait (v. 9-10).

5. The Faithfulness of God in the Midst of Our Failure (v. 11-15).

- God’s tender mercies, lovingkindness, and preservation surround us.
- God know our trial, iniquity, and failures.
- **God is pleased to deliver us!** → How often do our trials send us to plead with God?
- **How often do we plead with and ponder God when things are going well?**

5. Pay Attention and Magnify God (v. 16-17).

- We are poor and needy.
- God will not simply “pacify” us.
- The Lord will work, correct, love, pursue, and challenge us to be faithful.
- **His timing is perfect – Do not delay, O my God...**

Application: _____
