

**“LIVING FOR MORE: FRUIT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT;  
PATIENCE, WAITING FOR THE LORD”  
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<sup>22</sup> But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, <sup>23</sup> gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. <sup>24</sup> And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. (Galatians 5:22-24)

I waited patiently for the Lord; he inclined to me and heard my cry. <sup>2</sup> He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure. <sup>3</sup> He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God. Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the Lord. <sup>4</sup> Blessed is the man who makes the Lord his trust, who does not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after a lie! <sup>5</sup> You have multiplied, O Lord my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you! I will proclaim and tell of them, yet they are more than can be told. (Psalm 40:1-5)

**1. WE ARE IMPATIENT WHEN WE DON'T KNOW.**

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. (Isaiah 40:28)

**2. GOD HAS REVEALED HIMSELF TO YOU.**

For I am sure that neither death nor life, nor angels nor rulers, nor things present nor things to come, nor powers, nor height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord. (Romans 8:38-39)

**3. HE HAS PROVEN HIMSELF TRUSTWORTHY.**

He is not here, for He has risen, as He said. Come see the place where He lay. (Matthew 29:6)

**4. HE HAS DONE ALL OF THESE THINGS FOR YOU!**

He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure. (Psalm 40:2)

**5. WE KNOW HOW THESE DIFFICULT AND EVEN EASY SITUATIONS END AND WE CAN PROCLAIM IT!**

**MEMORY VERSE**

The Lord is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him.  
It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the Lord. (Lamentations 3:25-26)

**GOING DEEPER**

1. Read 1 Peter 5:6-11. Use these verses as a guide for your prayers for patience and perseverance, especially focusing on the promise made in verse 10.
2. Read Matthew 13:1-9 and 18-23. The fruit or crop that Jesus and His Spirit will produce in you will come in time. Spend some time in prayer about being patient in all circumstances and ask God for the faith to trust in His timing for the harvest.