

Sunday Morning | November 5, 2017

# TRUSTING GOD IN DARK DAYS

## WAITING ON GOD

### PSALM 40:1-3 (KJV)

**TRUTH:** Pits in the life of a child of God serve multiple purposes.

#### I. THE PRINCIPLE OF WAITING ON GOD

**TRUTH:** A strong tendency to give up may indicate that God is teaching you to wait on Him (Psalm 27:1).

**TRUTH:** Our flesh nature fights against the ways of God used to develop our faith (Romans 8:6).

**TRUTH:** It is the nature of our sin nature to doubt the goodness and faithfulness of God.

**INSIGHT:** God's plan for you also has a specific schedule, totally different from yours (Isaiah 64:4).

#### II. THE NECESSITY OF WAITING

**TRUTH:** It always takes faith to wait on God's schedule.

Exhortations to wait in God's Word:

1. Psalm 25:2-3
2. Psalm 27:14
3. Psalm 37:34 (TLB)
4. Psalm 62:5-6
5. Psalm 147:11
6. Isaiah 30:18
7. Isaiah 40:31
8. Isaiah 49:23

9. Isaiah 64:4
10. Lamentations 3:25-26
11. Hebrews 2:3
12. Romans 8:24-25

### III. THE BATTLE TO HOPE

**INSIGHT:** The road to Heaven is one of trusting the faithfulness of God when Heaven is seemingly indifferent to our prayers for deliverance.

**TRUTH:** David didn't kill Saul because he honored God's timing (Psalm 27:13).

### IV. WHAT TO DO WHEN HEAVEN WAITS

1. Accept God's direction (1 Chronicles 14:17).
2. Value God's timing.

**TRUTH:** Delays are not denials but strategy to fulfill God's plan for our lives.

3. Delay is preparation.

**TRUTH:** The gift of God that will bless you tomorrow will destroy you today.

4. Never give up.