

Title: How to Wait Patiently on the Lord's Timing/2nd Coming

Pastor: Dr. John Geeter

Scriptures: Habakkuk 1:1-5; Isaiah 59:14; Revelation 6:9, 10

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Sermon Overview:

As Christians, waiting on the Lord can often feel difficult especially in a world that constantly pushes for instant answers and immediate results. Whether we're waiting for a job, healing, justice, direction, or even the return of Christ, the waiting period can test our faith and tempt us to lose hope, but Pastor Dr. Geeter reminded us that waiting is not punishment it's preparation. Through Scripture and personal examples, he encouraged us to view waiting as a divine assignment, not a delay. While we may not always understand God's timing, we can trust that His plan is perfect, His purpose is good, and His promises are sure.

3 Key Points:

1. Don't Become Frustrated and Lose Your Joy When Waiting on God's Response

We often act like Peter stepping out of the boat full of faith at first, but then overwhelmed by the storm. When we take our eyes off Jesus and focus on the chaos around us, fear creeps in, and we begin to sink spiritually. Pastor Dr. Geeter reminded us that as Christians, we are human, and it's natural to feel discouraged sometimes. But we can't let frustration rob us of our joy. Habakkuk cried out to God when he saw injustice and silence, but the Lord reminded him that he was still working behind the scenes. In the same way, we must remember that even when we don't see results, God is still present. Instead of becoming anxious or bitter, we are called to hold on to our joy - the kind that only comes from knowing who God is.

2. God Alone Is Working Out His Sovereign Will for Your Good

It's easy to mistake God's silence for His absence. But as Pastor Dr. Geeter said, just because God hasn't answered yet doesn't mean He isn't already working on your behalf. Isaiah 59:14 describes a world where truth and justice seem lost but God is still in control. He is never caught off guard. As Christians, we must rest in the truth that God is sovereign and that everything He allows in our lives is filtered through His love. His timing is not our timing, but His will is always perfect. Every delay has a purpose. Whether His answer is "yes," "no," or "wait," we can be sure that His plan is for our good and His glory. Romans 8:28 isn't just a verse to quote it's a truth to live by.

3. Waiting Is a Great Opportunity to Deepen Your Faith and Relationship With the Lord

Instead of treating waiting as wasted time, we should see it as an invitation to grow. Revelation 6:9, 10 reminds us that even the souls under the altar were told to wait a little longer but their waiting was not in vain. Pastor Dr. Geeter emphasized that waiting is where our faith is refined. It's in the waiting that we pray more, seek God more, and rely on Him more deeply. Whether you're waiting for direction, healing, or peace, this is your chance to draw closer to the heart of God. Don't wait passively wait with intention. Use this time to

serve, worship, and build a stronger spiritual foundation. The waiting room is also the training ground for the next level of what God wants to do in your life.

Conclusion:

Pastor Dr. Geeter closed the message with a powerful reminder: God doesn't waste time, and He certainly doesn't waste waiting. Whether you're waiting for breakthrough, purpose, or the Second Coming of Christ, God is working in and through your life right now. We must be a people who trust in His character, rejoice in His presence, and keep our eyes fixed on eternity. As Christians, we are not just waiting we are watching, preparing, growing, and serving while we wait. Let's not give in to anxiety or discouragement. Instead, let's renew our strength, like the eagles in Isaiah 40:31, as we wait on the Lord. Because when we wait with God, we're never really waiting alone.