

**A Revival Of Our Hearts (#16)
“Developing Patience”
Cornerstone Church Of Poway
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Big Idea: We need a revival in our hearts and homes that changes our lives.

“Come close to God, and God will come close to you.” **James 4:8a (NLT2)**

Remember Verse

1. When Are We To Be Patient?

✓ **Be Patient When Circumstances Are _____**

“**Be patient**, then, brothers, until the **Lord's coming**. See how the **farmer** waits for the land to yield its valuable crop and how patient he is for the autumn and spring rains. **James 5:7 (NIV)**

✓ **Be Patient When People Are _____**

Don't grumble against each other, brothers, or you will be judged. The Judge is standing at the door! Brothers, as an example of patience in the **face of suffering**, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.” **James 5:9-10 (NIV)**

✓ **Be Patient When Problems Are _____**

As you know, we consider **blessed** those who have **persevered**. You have heard of **Job's perseverance** and have seen what the Lord finally brought about. The Lord is full of **compassion and mercy**. **James 5:11 (NIV)**

Notes: _____

2. How Can We Be Patient When Waiting On God?

✓ **Wait** _____

“**Be patient**, then, brothers, until the **Lord's coming**. See how the **farmer** waits for the land to yield its valuable crop and how patient he is for the autumn and spring rains. **James 5:7 (NIV)**”

Notes: _____

✓ **Wait** _____

“Don't grumble against each other, brothers, or you will be judged. The Judge is standing at the door!” **James 5:9 (NIV)**

“Above all, my brothers, do not swear--not by heaven or by earth or by anything else. Let your “**Yes**” **be yes**, and your “**No**,” **no**, or you will be condemned.”
James 5:12 (NIV)

“This vision is for a **future time**. It describes the end, and it will be fulfilled. If it seems slow in coming, **wait patiently**, for it will surely take place. It will not be delayed.”
Habakkuk 2:3 (NLT2)

Notes: _____

✓ **Wait** _____

“You too, **be patient** and **stand firm**, because the **Lord's coming is near**.”
James 5:8 (NIV)

“The Lord is **full of compassion and mercy**.” **James 5:11b (NIV)**

Notes: _____

➤ **Where do you need to have patience?**

My next right step, I will:

- [] Be patient with the people in my life who seem to be unchangeable
- [] Trust that God is working behind the scene for my good
- [] Let my “Yes” be yes and my “No” be no
- [] Ask Jesus to be my Lord and Savior



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Family Corner: [Choose one day this week to ask questions to go deeper in faith as a family. Try this over dinner. Keep it to 12 minutes or less.]

Small Groups: [Choose as many questions that honor your group’s time commitment]

Open in Prayer:

- What thoughts from this week’s message encourage me to live like Jesus?

Icebreaker: Are you a long-range planner or do you take one day at a time?

Big Idea: What kind of plants have you planted?
 How long did it take for food to appear?

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Remember Verse

1. When Are We To Be Patient?

- ✓ **Be Patient When Circumstances Are Uncontrollable**

Read James 5:7

What does James call Christians to wait for patiently?

What similarities are there between being a farmer and a Christian?

- ✓ **Be Patient When People Are Unchangeable**

Read James 5:9-10

How are Christians supposed to behave during this waiting period?

How does looking to the prophets of old bring encouragement?

- ✓ **Be Patient When Problems Are Unexplainable**

Life Application Study Bible. As we read the book of Job, we have information that the characters of the story do not. Job, the main character of the book, lost all he had through no fault of his own. As he struggled to understand why all this was happening to him, it became clear that he was not meant to know the reasons. He would have to face life with the answers and explanations held back. Only then would his faith fully develop. We must experience life as Job did—one day at a time and without complete answers to all of life's questions. Will we, like Job, trust God no matter what? Or will we give in to the temptation to say that God doesn't really care?

2. How Can We Be Patient When Waiting On God?

✓ Wait Expectantly

Read James 5:7

What are some things that you look forward to when you get to heaven?

✓ Wait Quietly

Read James 5:9

How should our anticipation of Jesus coming back affect the way we treat each other?

Read James 5:12

How well do you do with your “yes” being yes and your “no” being no?

Read Habakkuk 2:3

Life Application Study Bible. Evil and injustice seem to have the upper hand in the world. Like Habakkuk, Christians often feel angry and discouraged as they see what goes on. Habakkuk complained vigorously to God about the situation. God's answer to Habakkuk is the same answer he would give us, "If it seems slow in coming, wait patiently, for it will surely take place." It isn't easy to be patient, but it helps to remember that God hates sin even more than we do. Punishment of sin will certainly come. As God told Habakkuk, "Wait patiently." We must trust God even when we don't understand why events occur as they do.

✓ Wait Confidently

Read James 5:8-11

How confident are you that the Lord will return for you?

How does the promise of Jesus coming encourage you?

What can you do to strengthen your resolve to trust in Jesus?

Close in Prayer: Start praying. Be bold and pray specifically.
