

July 5 Discussion Questions

“Wait on the Lord!”

Psalm 62

Preview

BIG IDEA: In the midst of confusion, chaos, or conflict, Christians must wait on the Lord.

To “**wait on the Lord**” = To continue in confident expectation that God will do what only He can do.

How do Christians wait on the Lord?

1. **Trust** in God because He alone **saves** us. (v. 1-4)
 - Temptation = to willfully **strive** in our own strength to save ourselves
2. **Rest** in God because He alone **encourages** us. (v. 5-8)
 - Temptation = to impatiently **turn** to another form of lesser encouragement

Connect

1. Share a waiting experience that pushed you up to or beyond your level of patience. Why was it so hard to wait? How does your personality exhibit impatience?
2. How has waiting carried over into your personal walk with the Lord? What did you want quickly that took longer than expected?

Read Psalm 62

Discuss

3. How would you define “waiting on the Lord?” Who from Scripture needed to wait on the Lord?
4. What is the background setting for the writing of this psalm? (see 2 Sam 15-19) How does this change the way you understand the text?
5. Rather than trusting in God alone while we wait, what temptation do we face? Is there an example from your life of striving when you should have been humbly waiting?
6. How do you discern the difference between God’s role and your role? Give some examples.
7. What does it mean for you that God is a refuge (v.7)? Do you have a personal story that adds depth to your definition?
8. When our hearts become impatient for encouragement and joy, what temptation do we face? How can we overcome this temptation?

Apply

9. What are you still waiting on God to answer in your life? Have you become weary in waiting?

10. How can you find peace in the midst of your waiting? How do you find peace if God says “No” to what you want?
11. What are alternative forms of entertainment or encouragement you tend to turn to? These things are not inherently bad, but how do we determine if we are turning to them in an unhealthy or healthy way?
12. Does your heart need encouragement during this season? If it’s true that God promises to meet us, what do you need to do this week to be encouraged by Him alone?

Pray

13. Weekly Prayer Focus from Prayer Team

Personal Focus: Continue to pray for our church family as we transition through COVID-19. *Trust in him at all times, O people; pour out your hearts to him, for God is our refuge.* Psalm 62:8

Ministry: Pray for the Elder and Deacon Teams as they continue to formulate our budget for the coming fiscal year. *God gave Solomon wisdom and very great insight, and a breadth of understanding as measureless as the sands on the seashore.* 1 Kings 4:29