

# THE WAITING

PAST.  
PRESENT.  
FUTURE.



## Hope in the Waiting

*Romans 8:18-23*

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### A LOOK BACK AT THE WAITING

1. Our \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ determine how we wait
2. \_\_\_\_\_ is willing to wait (Isaiah 30:18)
3. Our \_\_\_\_\_ are willing to wait (Psalm 56)
4. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ currently wait together

### THE SUFFERING AND GLORY OF GOD'S CREATION (ROMANS 8:18-23)

Suffering and glory are \_\_\_\_\_ but not \_\_\_\_\_ (v.18)

Creation's wait (vv. 19-22)

Waiting for what?

Current state (\_\_\_\_\_)

God's role:

Creation's desire:

Believers' wait (v. 23)

Waiting for what?

Faithful believers wait for \_\_\_\_\_, the redemption of their \_\_\_\_\_

## ***WHAT DOES THIS INVISIBLE HOPE REQUIRE? (2 COR 5:1-10)***

1. Faith in God's \_\_\_\_\_
2. Aims to \_\_\_\_\_ God
3. Triggers \_\_\_\_\_ God desires in this life to be repaid in the next (v.10)

## ***HOW DO WE STAY FOCUSED ON THE INVISIBLE HOPE? (ROMANS 8:23-28)***

1. Know that you \_\_\_\_\_ the Holy Spirit (v.23)
  - Romans 5:5
2. Live by faith in the Holy Spirit's \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.24-25)
  - Patience -
3. Depend on the Holy Spirit's \_\_\_\_\_ (vv. 26-27)

## ***WHAT HAPPENS WHEN THIS HOPE MOTIVATES US TO HOLD ONTO GOD'S PROMISES?***

- Romans 8:28 -
- With the Holy Spirit's help (2 Cor 4:14-18)