

Message Summary

Very few people enjoy waiting, but our lives often involve a lot of it. We can either view waiting as a season to endure, or we can see it as an invitation to experience the presence of God. When we do, we see the wonderful ways God can transform our lives.

Key Scripture

But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.

Isaiah 40:31 KJV

Additional Scriptures

- Romans 12:1 NIV
- 2 Corinthians 2:14-15 ESV

Start Talking

Find a conversation starter for your group.

- Would you rather read a book or watch a movie?

Start Thinking

Ask a question to get your group thinking.

- How did this message impact the way you think about seasons of waiting?
- What are some mindsets, practices, or habits of people who faithfully wait well?

Start Sharing

Choose a question to create openness.

- Read **Isaiah 40:31**. Talk about a time when you had to wait on the Lord. How did He support you? What did you learn about Him through that experience? How did that experience influence the faith you have today?
- Share about any area of your life where you're currently waiting for God to move. How can you surrender expectations and experience a deeper connection with God in the waiting?

Start Praying

Heavenly Father, thank You for being with us in our waiting. Please grow our hunger for you, especially when life doesn't go the way we've planned. Let our surrender and trust in You give us a richer understanding of Your love for us. In Jesus' name, amen.

Start Doing

- Personally reflect on what you've learned about God's character from periods of waiting.
- Start the Bible Plan *Slow Burn* using Plans With Friends: www.go2.lc/slowburn
- Consider how you could love others by serving on the weekend or with a Local Mission Partner.