



God Family Country

GUIDED BIBLE STUDY

Growing in Patience

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Highlighted Scripture

James 5:7–8

“Be patient, therefore, brothers, until the coming of the Lord. See how the farmer waits for the precious fruit of the earth, being patient about it, until it receives the early and the late rains.

You also, be patient. Establish your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is at hand.”

Galatians 5:22

“But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness.”

Romans 12:12

“Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.”

2 Peter 3:9

“The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you.”

Discussion Questions

- 1. Why do you think patience is listed as a fruit of the Spirit rather than something we achieve on our own?**
- 2. What does the farmer illustration teach us about trusting God's timing?**
- 3. How can prayer strengthen our patience during difficult situations?**
- 4. Why is patience often most difficult when dealing with other people?**
- 5. How does remembering God's patience toward us help us show patience to others?**

Reflection Challenge

This week, pay attention to moments when your patience is tested.

It might happen:

- In traffic**
- Waiting in line**
- During a stressful conversation**
- When answers to prayer seem delayed**

Instead of reacting immediately, pause and ask:

- What might God be teaching me in this moment?**
- How can I reflect Christ through my response?**

Remember:

- ✨ Patience grows through the Holy Spirit.**
- ✨ Waiting seasons can deepen faith.**
- ✨ Prayer strengthens endurance.**
- ✨ God's patience toward us is our model for patience with others.**

Prayer

Father God,

Thank You for Your incredible patience with me.

Help me grow in patience through the work of Your Spirit.

Teach me to trust Your timing and respond with grace toward others.

**Strengthen my heart when I feel frustrated or weary.
Let my life reflect the patience and love of Christ.**

**In Jesus' name,
Amen.**

