## Summer Trip Patience Discover Church Cam Niehus 6/29/25

**Psalm 129:** "From my earliest youth my enemies have persecuted me. Let all Israel repeat this: From my earliest youth my enemies have persecuted me, but they have never defeated me. My back is covered with cuts, as if a farmer had plowed long furrows. But the LORD is good; he has cut me free from the ropes of the ungodly. May all who hate Jerusalem be turned back in shameful defeat. May they be as useless as grass on a rooftop, turning yellow when only half grown, ignored by the harvester, despised by the binder. And may those who pass by refuse to give them this blessing: "The LORD blesses you; we bless you in the LORD's name."

Patience isn't passive

**Psalm 129: 1-3** "From my earliest youth my enemies have persecuted me—but they have never defeated me."

**James 1: 2-3** "Dear brothers and sisters, when troubles of any kind come your way, consider it an opportunity for great joy. 3 For you know that when your faith is tested, your endurance has a chance to grow."

Patience isn't passive-it's the active choice to endure when everything else says give up

Psalm 129: 4 "But the Lord is good; He has cut me free from the ropes of the ungodly."

Pain doesn't get the final word-God does

Patience isn't passive—it's the active choice to endure and trust when everything says give up.

**Psalm 129: 5-8** "May all who hate Jerusalem be turned back in shameful defeat. May they be as useless as grass on a rooftop, turning yellow when only half grown, ignored by the harvester, despised by the binder. And may those who pass by refuse to give them this blessing: 'The Lord bless you; we bless you in the Lord's name."

**Jonah 2:2** "He said, "I cried out to the LORD in my great trouble, and he answered me. I called to you from the land of the dead, and LORD, you heard me!"

Patience isn't passive—it's the active choice to endure, trust, and persevere when everything says give up.

When the world says stop, He says go. When life says give up, He says I am not done with you yet.

We endure — even when it's hard. We trust — even when it looks crazy. We persevere — even when we're exhausted.