

## **DISCUSSION GUIDE**

Part 4 of The Fruit of the Spirit Watch Sermon | Sermon Notes

Patience (Is it a product or process? A fruit or discipline?)

## Discuss:

- Have you seen patience grow more like a sudden gift (fruit) or a slow development (process)? Why do you think that is?
- How does renewing your mind and being a new creation influence the way you practice or pursue patience?

**Joseph** (Genesis 37–50: Robe of many colors and dreams) *Discuss*:

- What can Joseph's journey teach us about the role of patience in waiting for God's purpose to unfold?
- How might Joseph have responded differently if he hadn't trusted in God's promises during his years of waiting, betrayal, and injustice?

**Presence** (Exodus 33:14, Isaiah 40:31, Psalm 27:14)

## Discuss:

- How does abiding in God's presence practically impact your day-to-day life, especially when you're tempted to act in your own strength?
- What does it look like to "wait for the Lord" in your current season? What makes waiting difficult?

Purpose (Proverbs 19:21, Jeremiah 29:11, 2 Timothy 1:9)

## Discuss:

- What are some ways God has used unexpected or painful seasons to reveal His purpose?
- How does knowing that God's calling is based on His grace (not our works) affect how you view your identity and role?

**Promise** (2 Corinthians 1:20, Hebrews 10:23, Hebrews 10:36) *Discuss:* 

- What is one promise of God that you are holding on to in this season? How are you reminding yourself to remain hopeful?
- What does it mean to "hold fast without wavering," and what helps you do that practically?

