## **NEW SERIES**EASIER SAID THAN DONE

# **WAITING ON GOD**

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#### **Lamentations 3:25** (NASB)

The LORD is good to those who wait for Him, To the person who seeks Him.

GOOD THINGS COMES TO THOSE WHO WAIT

## IMPATIENCE LEADS TO WRONG CHOICES

#### I Samuel 13:7-9 (NLT)

Some of them crossed the Jordan River and escaped into the land of Gad and Gilead. Meanwhile, Saul stayed at Gilgal, and his men were trembling with fear. Saul waited there seven days for Samuel, as Samuel had instructed him earlier, but Samuel still didn't come. Saul realized that his troops were rapidly slipping away. So he demanded, "Bring me the burnt offering and the peace offerings!" And Saul sacrificed the burnt offering himself.

## **I Samuel 13:10-13** (NLT)

Just as Saul was finishing with the burnt offering, Samuel arrived. Saul went out to meet and welcome him, but Samuel said, "What is this you have done?" Saul replied, "I saw my men scattering from me, and you didn't arrive when you said you would, and the Philistines are at Micmash ready for battle. So I said, 'The Philistines are ready to march against us at Gilgal, and I haven't even asked for the LORD's help!' So I felt compelled to offer the burnt offering myself before you came." "How foolish!" Samuel exclaimed. "You have not kept the command the LORD your God gave you. Had you kept it, the LORD would have established your kingdom over Israel forever."



EACHING NOTE

## **I Samuel 13:14** (NLT)

But now your kingdom must end, for the LORD has sought out a man after his own heart. The LORD has already appointed him to be the leader of his people, because you have not kept the LORD's command."

## PATIENCE LEADS TO BLESSING

#### I Samuel 24:3-7 (NLT)

At the place where the road passes some sheepfolds, Saul went into a cave to relieve himself. But as it happened, David and his men were hiding farther back in that very cave! "Now's your opportunity!" David's men whispered to him. "Today the LORD is telling you, 'I will certainly put your enemy into your power, to do with as you wish." So David crept forward and cut off a piece of the hem of Saul's robe. But then David's conscience began bothering him because he had cut Saul's robe. "The LORD knows I shouldn't have done that to my lord the king," he said to his men. "The LORD forbid that I should do this to my lord the king and attack the LORD's anointed one, for the LORD himself has chosen him."

So David restrained his men and did not let them kill Saul.

### PRACTICING "ACTIVE" WAITING

- BE SPECIFIC ABOUT WHAT YOU'RE WAITING FOR
  - 2. SEEK GOD'S GUIDANCE
  - 3. ASK "IS THIS HONORING TO GOD?"

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#### **NEXT WEEK: PHYSICAL AND SPIRITUAL HEALTH**

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