

God's Waiting Room

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Waiting with Hope

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit, you may abound in Hope.

– Romans 15:13 (ESV)

Hope is the anticipation of good...It's the conviction that because God is in you, your life, and your efforts have meaning, no matter how the situation turns out.– Dallas Willard

How do we wait with Hope?

By remembering God's deliverance and works.

Though the fig tree should not blossom, nor fruit be on the vines, the produce of the olive fail and the fields yield no food, the flock be cut off from the fold and there be no herd in the stalls, **yet I will rejoice in the Lord; I will take joy in the God of my salvation.**

– Habakkuk 3:17-18 (ESV)

God came from Teman, and the Holy One from Mount Paran.
– Habakkuk 3:3 (NIV)

**Remembering what God has done for us in the past grows hope inside of us.
Remembering what God has done opens an opportunity to praise Him.
Remembering the works of God in our past, keeps our minds and hearts focused on Him.
Remembering what God has done, keeps us far from sin.**

By surrendering our will to God's sovereignty.

Into your hand, I commit my spirit, deliver me LORD, my faithful GOD.
– Psalms 31:5 (NIV)

Luke 24:13-21 (NIV)

By recognizing our final destiny.

Romans 8:18 (ESV)

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. – Romans 8:37 (NIV)

Romans 5:3-4 (NIV)

Romans 8:35 (NIV)

Romans 8:31-39 (NIV)

The one who has become a friend of God is more than conqueror!