



Faith Community Church
WAIT
(Psalms, Part 8)

Faith Group Questions
& Discussion Guide



🙏 **Opening Prayer:** Father, we are in such a hurry, all the time. Forgive us for rushing to answers. Help us to spend this time seeking Your presence and waiting on You.

🧊 **Icebreaker:** What is one modern, "instant" convenience (e.g., 1-day shipping, microwave dinners, streaming apps) that you would struggle to live without for a month?

🔑 **Key Points**

1. **Waiting is active, not passive:** Waiting on God isn't sitting back in idleness; it's an intentional choice to worship, serve, and move forward in faith while trusting Him for the outcome.
2. **Prayer shifts us from God's hand to God's heart:** True prayer in times of waiting seeks God's presence and character (His face) rather than just demanding quick solutions (His hand).
3. **God's delays are not His rejections:** Silence from God does not mean He is absent or angry, but rather that He is working on His perfect schedule.
4. **God uses waiting to shape us and display His glory:** Seasons of pause are spiritual classrooms where God develops our patience and prepares outcomes far greater than what we could plan ourselves.

💬 **Discussion Questions**

1. Did you audit your refuge, practice gratefulness, or anchor a verse? Tell us about it!
2. In what areas of your life right now do you feel like you are in a "waiting room," and how is that season affecting your daily outlook? (Psalm 63:1)
3. Looking at Psalm 27:1–6, David was surrounded by trouble, yet he chose to worship before his circumstances changed. What makes worshipping *during* a trial so powerful? (Psalm 71:12-21)

4. What is the difference between seeking God's *hand* (His answers and blessings) versus seeking His *face* (His presence and relationship), and how can we shift our focus when praying? (Matthew 6:8, 31-33)
5. When God seems silent, it's easy to feel like He has rejected or forgotten us. How can we fight those feelings with the truth of God's Word? (Ps 23:4, Ps 139:7-12)
6. James 1:4 says to let patience have its "perfect work." Looking back at a past season of waiting, what did God teach you or grow in you that couldn't have happened quickly?
7. In the story of Lazarus, Jesus intentionally waited two days before acting, leading to a resurrection instead of a healing. How does this perspective change how you view God's timing in your own life? (If you can, read the whole story - John 11:1-44)
8. What does "taking courage" look like practically when you feel tempted to give up or take matters into your own hands? (Ephesians 6:10-18)



Practical Applications

1. **Establish a "Praise Before the Answer" Routine:** Identify one prayer you've been waiting on, and commit to ending your daily prayers this week by thanking God for Who He is—praising Him before seeing the outcome.
2. **Change "What" to "Who":** Take a look at what you regularly bring to God. Intentionally dedicate time this week to pray through a passage of Scripture (like Psalm 27) without asking for anything, focusing solely on seeking His presence.
3. **Engage in Active Waiting:** Instead of pulling back or freezing in uncertainty, commit to one (or one MORE) tangible act of service or worship this week (e.g., serving at church, encouraging someone else, attending group regularly) to keep your faith active while you wait.



Closing Prayer: Lord Jesus, You have been SO patient with us! Change our hearts to be more like You as we wait. We surrender our requests and our timing to You, knowing that Your answers are better than we could even imagine.