

# Patient

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**Our Purpose:** To be a community of believers where, no matter who you are, you can experience life change through Jesus Christ

*31 And he began to teach them that the Son of Man must suffer many things and be rejected by the elders and the chief priests and the scribes and be killed, and after three days rise again. 32 And he said this plainly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. 33 But turning and seeing his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are not setting your mind on the things of God, but on the things of man."*

—Mark 8:31-33 (ESV)

## 1. Jesus Is Patient With Those Who Don't Get It.

*3 Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. 4 And falling to the ground he heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" 5 And he said, "Who are you, Lord?" And he said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting."*

—Acts 9:3-5 (ESV)

*16 But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life.*

—1 Timothy 1:16 (ESV)

## 2. Jesus Is Patient With Those Who Get It Wrong.

## 3. Patience Allows For Good Things To Happen.

*"Good things take time."*

—Coach John Wooden

***A. Patience Allows People Who Don't Get it, To Get It Going.***

***B. Patience Allows People Who Get it Wrong, To Get It Right.***

***C. Patience Allows People With No Hope, The Hope Of Heaven.***

*The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.*

—2 Peter 3:9 (ESV)

*22 But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, 23 gentleness, self-control.*

—Galatians 5:22-23 (ESV)