



## SERMON NOTES

# IMPATIENT

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Christmas is a lesson on waiting. Waiting for Christmas is hard for kids; waiting on the Lord has never come easy for adults.

### **Psalm 27:14 (NKJV)**

*14 Wait on the LORD; Be of good courage, And He shall strengthen your heart; Wait, I say, on the LORD!*

### PARENTING TIPS

(Help Our Kids Learn Patience)

- You can model patience before your kids.
- Stir up a conversation about patience (or impatience).
- Some parents use timers when appropriate.
- Assign your kids responsibilities that will require more time and thus more patience.
- You don't always have to give your kids what they want immediately.

### Three Reasons God Makes Us Wait

#### 1. Waiting Informs \_\_\_\_\_

##### **1 Corinthians 4:5 (HCSB)**

*5 Therefore don't judge anything prematurely, before the Lord comes, who will both bring to light what is hidden in darkness and reveal the intentions of the hearts. And then praise will come to each one from God.*

**Patience is the art of concealing your impatience.**

**-Guy Kawasaki**

It takes time for us to get on the same page with God. Initially, we don't always know what we want.

#### 2. Waiting Constructs \_\_\_\_\_

##### **Romans 5:4 (NCV)**

*4 And patience produces character, and character produces hope.*

#### 3. Waiting Teaches \_\_\_\_\_

##### **Psalms 103:7 (NKJV)**

*He made known His ways to Moses, His acts to the children of Israel.*

##### **Psalm 128:1 (NAB)**

*1 A song of ascents. Happy are all who fear the LORD, who walk in the ways of God.*

##### **Jeremiah 5:4 (TLB)**

*4 Then I said, "But what can we expect from the poor and ignorant? They don't know the ways of God. How can they obey him?"*

Don't allow what you are waiting for today to rob you of what you're hoping for tomorrow.