

Men of Unity 2017
A Psalm For Every Season
“Waiting For God Alone”
Psalm 62:1-12

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For God alone, O my soul, wait in silence, for my hope is from Him. (Psalm 62:5)

I. The Challenge of Waiting

- a. Instant gratification, multitasking and technological time savers. We do not like to wait.
- b. Are you waiting for something? How long have you been waiting? What would the world be like if we did not have to wait?
- c. Waiting challenges us to trust and to have patience. Waiting reminds us that we are not ultimately in control. The activity of *waiting* and *not waiting* requires sacrifice and each activity presents its own unique set of consequence. (Illustration: *Carowinds Fast Pass*)
- d. As Christians, we still want it “now”, therefore God must constantly remind us to wait on Him.

II. Waiting is a Necessary Ingredient to Faith

- a. David prayed that his soul’s only source of strength was God (my rock, my salvation, my fortress).
- b. *Alone* – this word suggests making God our only guide.
- c. *My hope is from Him*. This phrase means that the One who wants us to wait also gives us the strength and the desire to wait on His will.
- d. Waiting on God means that we will trust Him whenever He tells us to move or be still.
- e. Many people want to move at the speed of light while living in darkness.
- f. Totally relying on God involves waiting. (Read Isaiah 40:31; Matthew 6:31; James 4:13-15)
- g. There can be no true faith without waiting.
- h. Waiting on God is not a waste of time, but a time for correcting, shaping and transforming.
- i. Faith in God requires waiting. Can you provide biblical examples of this?
- j. Christians should be like the stars in the sky, they rests on nothing but the promises of God.
- k. Waiting can be described as a seen activity based on an unseen belief.
 1. If we have confidence in God’s power, strength, love and provision we will wait.

III. Thoughts and Considerations for Action

- a. God does not dangle spiritual carrots in front of us, just to snatch them away. You can be sure that God’s waiting has divine purpose. We do not wait for nothing.
- b. How do I wait for God alone in a world that is filled with people who want everything now?
 1. Example and encouragement
- c. Waiting is a reality of the Christian witness.