

G R E A T B I B L E W O R D S

Patience

Introduction: When we are determined to do something we always find the strength to do it. Even if it is against all odds or if it is painful. Almost everything we do in life requires perseverance and patience. **Romans 8:25** says, "But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience." We have an earnest expectation (hope) of eternal life with God. Let's study this great Bible word together...

Discussion:

I. The Bible Speaks of God's Patience

- A. God's Patience in the Patriarchal Age
I Peter 3:20, Genesis 6-8, 11:1-9
- B. God's Patience in the Mosaical Age
Psalms 103:8-18, Nehemiah 9:16-21, Acts 7:2-53
- C. God's Patience in the Christian Age
I Timothy 1:17, Romans 2:3-4, II Peter 3:7-9

II. The Bible Speaks of Patient People

- A. The Patience of God's Servant Job
Job 1-42, James 5:10-11, Romans 15:4-6
- B. The Patience of God's King David
I Samuel 13:14, 24:1-22, 26:1-25, II Samuel 7:1-17, Psalm 37:7, 40:1
- C. The Patience of God's Apostle Paul
II Timothy 4:2, 3:10-11, II Corinthians 6:4, Colossians 1:11

III. The Bible Speaks of Steps Toward Patience

- A. Know That God Wants To Be With You
Colossians 1:9-12, Luke 22:31-32, I Corinthians 10:13, Hebrews 13:5
- B. Know That God Wants To Bless You
Colossians 1:9-12, Romans 8:31, II Peter 3:9, Job 42:1-10, Matthew 28:20
- C. Know That God Wants To Glorify You
Colossians 1:9-12, Matthew 19:30, 20:16, James 4:10, Genesis 22:1-19
- D. Know That God Wants To Use You
Colossians 1:9-12, Job 42:7-10, I Corinthians 13:4-8, Ephesians 4:1-3
II Thessalonians 3:5, II Timothy 3:10

Conclusion: If we seek patience we have to wait upon the Lord. We have to trust in Him. The Lord says, "Be still, and know that I am God" (**Psalm 46:10**). Are you ready to wait on the Lord? Are you ready to have patience to endure? Let's share this wonderful word with others!