

Within the space of waiting!



1. Do you have any **problems** today? The **answers** are found in our inheritance. (God's word)
2. **What** can those in Christ do when problems arise? Answer, **turn** our **inheritance** into kinetic energy **by doing** God's word.
3. Realize that all God's **promises** are in our inheritance.
4. Emphasis was added on portions of God's word.

Insights:

5. It will be through **faith** and **patience** that we **inherit** (**Obtain**) God's promises.

Hebrews 6:11-12 (NKJV)

And we desire that each one of you show the same diligence to the full assurance of hope until the end,

12 that you do not become sluggish, but imitate those who **through faith and patience inherit** the promises. (*inherit G2816 obtain by right of inheritance, Greek-English Lexicon of the New Testament.*)

6. If we **cannot see it** (whatever we are believing) faith will be needed.

Romans 8:25 (AMP)

But if we hope for what is **still unseen** by us, we **wait** for it with **patience** and **composure**.

7. In Hebrews 6:12 the **attacks** and **battles** in our mind (*Thought life*) are within the “**and**”. It is within that **space** when we are **waiting** that the attacks and battles take place.
8. In that **space** of time our **faith is being tested** and it **is** producing patience, whether we know it or not.
9. Our **responsibility** is to let patience have its perfect work. Easy to say but hard to do.
10. **If** we **do not** give up, we will be perfect and complete, lacking nothing.
11. **Warning!** Do not spend time with people who speak doubt, fear, or worry. It is highly dangerous to our faith. What they say in the negative can hinder our sleep.

James 1:2-4 (NKJV)

My brethren, count it all joy when you fall into various trials,

3 knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience.

4 But **let patience** have its perfect work, that you may be **perfect G5046** and complete, lacking nothing.

Greek definition for the word perfect G5046:

Usage Notes:

English Words used in KJV:

perfect 17

man 1

of full age 1

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from <G5056> (telos); complete (in various applications of labor, growth, mental and moral character, etc.); neuter (as noun, with <G3588> (ho)) completeness :- of full age, man, perfect. Strong's Talking Greek & Hebrew Dictionary.

12. In that **space** of time, it would be wise to be **fully convinced** that He is **able** to do what He said. Therefore, we should *read*, *study*, and *apply* God's word.

Romans 4:20-21 (NKJV)

He did not waver at the promise of God through unbelief, but was strengthened in faith, giving glory to God,

21 and being **fully convinced** that what He had promised **He** was also **able** to perform.

13. As we wait, we should **not draw back** but rather **go forward** and **live by faith** in whatever we are facing. We need to be of **those** who believe and not doubt.

Hebrews 10:38-39 (NKJV)

Now the just shall **live by faith**; But if anyone **draws back**, My soul has no pleasure in him."

39 But we are not of those who draw back to perdition, **but of those who believe** to the saving of the soul.

14. Believers should not cast away their **confidence**.

Hebrews 10:35-36 (NKJV)

Therefore **do not cast away your confidence**, which has great reward.

36 For you have need of **endurance**, so that after you have **done** the will of God, you may **receive** the **promise**:

15. Also, **patient endurance**, will be needed for all believers.

Luke 21:19 (AMP)

By your steadfastness and **patient endurance** you shall win the true **life of your souls**.

16. To be effective, the believer is to **do** God's word to **receive** what is **promised**.

James 1:22 (AMP)

But be **doers** of the Word [obey the message], and not merely listeners to it, betraying yourselves [into deception by reasoning contrary to the Truth].

17. Understand that the **enemies** (Satan, demons, and the unrenewed mind) are attempting to **take away** what is sown in our heart. This is considered spiritual warfare and it is a battle for sure!

Mark 4:15 (AMP)

The ones along the path are those who have the Word sown [in their hearts], but when they hear, **Satan comes at once** and [by force] **takes away** the message which is sown in them.

18. I consider these attacks and battles that are within our **space of waiting**, as **persecutions** or **sufferings**. Jesus experienced the same thing when He was tempted.

Romans 8:17 (AMP)

And if we are [His] children, then we are [His] heirs also: heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ [sharing His inheritance with Him]; **only we must share His suffering** if we are to share His glory.

19. What did Jesus do when He was tempted? He used what was **written** and **obeyed** what was written.

20. Realize that Jesus **knew** what was written as seen in the book of Deuteronomy. A person can only quote what they know or have committed to memory. (See Luke 4:1-13 below)

Luke 4:1-13 (NKJV)

Then Jesus, being filled with the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the wilderness,

2 being **tempted** for forty days by the devil. And in those days He ate nothing, and afterward, when they had ended, He was hungry.

3 And the **devil** said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread."

4 But **Jesus answered him, saying, "It is written,** 'Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word of God.' " (**Deuteronomy 8:3**)

5 Then the devil, taking Him up on a high mountain, showed Him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time.

6 And the devil said to Him, "All this authority I will give You, and their glory; for this has been delivered to me, and I give it to whomever I wish.

7 Therefore, if You will worship before me, all will be Yours."

8 And **Jesus answered and said to him,** "Get behind Me, Satan! **For it is written,** 'You shall worship the LORD your God, and Him only you shall serve.' " (**Deuteronomy 6:13**)

9 Then he brought Him to Jerusalem, set Him on the pinnacle of the temple, and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down from here.

10 For it is written: 'He shall give His angels charge over you, To keep you,'

11 "and, 'In their hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone.' "

12 And **Jesus answered and said to him,** "**It has been said,** 'You shall not tempt the LORD your God.' " (**Deuteronomy 6:16**) (*In Matthews account, Matthew 4:7 Jesus said to him, "**It is written again,** 'You shall not tempt the LORD your God.' "*)

13 Now when the devil had ended every temptation, he departed from Him until an **opportune time**.

21. I believe Jesus was tempted more than three times same for all those in Christ Jesus.

22. The devil **waits** for the opportune time.

Luke 4:13 (MSG)

That completed the testing. The Devil retreated temporarily, lying in **wait** for another opportunity.

Consider one enemy minus Satan and demons.

Romans 8:6-7 (AMP)

Now the **mind of the flesh** [which is sense and reason without the Holy Spirit] is death [death that comprises all the miseries arising from sin, both here and hereafter]. But the mind of the [Holy] Spirit is life and [soul] peace [both now and forever].

7 [That is] because the mind of the flesh [with its carnal thoughts and purposes] is hostile to God, for it does not submit itself to God's Law; indeed it cannot.

Romans 8:6-7 (NKJV)

For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace.

7 Because the **carnal mind** is **enmity (G2189 hatred)** against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be.

Romans 8:6-7 (TEV)

To be controlled by **human nature** results in death; to be controlled by the Spirit results in life and peace.

7 And so people become **enemies** of God when they are controlled by their human nature; for they do not obey God's law, and in fact they cannot obey it.

23. Based on these portions of God's word we can see the **importance** of renewing our mind.

Romans 12:2 (AMP)

Do not be conformed to this world (this age), [fashioned after and adapted to its external, superficial customs], but **be transformed** (changed) by the [entire] **renewal of your mind** [by its new ideals and its new attitude], so that you may prove [for yourselves] what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God, even the thing which is good and acceptable and perfect [in His sight for you].

Why the persecutions or sufferings?

24. It is because of **God's word in us**. **If** the **enemies** can take the word out of us through doubt, fear, and worry... we will not receive what God said He would do.

Mark 4:16-17 (AMP)

And in the same way the ones sown upon stony ground are those who, when they hear the Word, at once receive and accept and welcome it with joy;

17 And they have no real root in themselves, and so they endure for a little while; then when **trouble or persecution arises on account of the Word**, they immediately are offended (become displeased, indignant, resentful) and they stumble and fall away.

25. No matter if we are a new or seasoned believer, the enemy will attempt to take God's word out of our life, especially when we are weak or discouraged!

26. Therefore, I believe the enemy works diligently to keep God's people from reading the Bible.

27. One way to keep believers from reading God's word is through distractions.

28. If believers can maintain reading God's word with some regularity, they will have something to work with in the **space of waiting**!

29. **Remember**, it is within that space when we are **waiting** that the attacks and battles take place.

30. **However**, when things get really complicated and confusing, I believe God will intervene and save us because He delights in mercy. Therefore, there is hope for His children no matter what is happening. No situation is greater than our heavenly Father!!
31. Remember again, in the inheritance is everything God has including His **mercy**.

Lamentations 3:22-23 (NKJV)

Through the **LORD'S mercies** we are not consumed, Because His compassions fail not.
23 They are new every morning; Great is Your faithfulness.

Micah 7:18 (NKJV)

Who is a God like You, Pardoning iniquity And passing over the transgression of the remnant of His heritage? He does not retain His anger forever, Because **He delights in mercy**.

This is how the enemy (*In many forms and methods*) works. (Very simple!)

32. They speak the **opposite** of what God says in His word.

The believers challenge!

33. We as believers in Christ need to **know** God's word to know who is speaking to us in our thoughts.
34. The enemy speaks doubt, fear, worry..., and "what if...", "but ...", "Now what are you going to do...?", and so on.
35. Here are some key portions of God's word that are effective.
36. These would be worthy for **memorization**, **meditation**, and **application**. (*Use your own translation*)

Jeremiah 29:11-13 (AMP)

For I know the **thoughts** and **plans** that I have for you, says the Lord, thoughts and plans for **welfare** and **peace** and **not for evil**, **to give you hope in your final outcome**.
12 **Then** you will call upon Me, and you will come and pray to Me, and I will hear and heed you.
13 **Then** you will seek Me, inquire for, and require Me [as a vital necessity] and **find Me when you search for Me with all your heart**.

Psalms 56:11 (RSV) in God I trust without **a** fear. What can man do to me?

Proverbs 11:23 (RSV)

The desire of the righteous **ends only in good**; the expectation of the wicked in wrath.

1 Corinthians 15:57-58 (AMP)

But thanks be to God, Who gives us the **victory** [making us conquerors] through our Lord Jesus Christ.

58 **Therefore**, my beloved brethren, be firm (steadfast), immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord [always being superior, excelling, doing more than enough in the service of the Lord], knowing and being continually aware that your labor in the Lord is not futile [it is never wasted or to no purpose].

Jeremiah 32:27 (NKJV)

"Behold, I am the LORD, the God of all flesh. Is there **anything** too hard for Me?

Luke 1:37 (AMP)

For with God **nothing** is ever impossible and no word from God shall be without power or impossible of fulfillment.

Isaiah 43:13 (NKJV)

Indeed before the day was, I am He; **And there is no one** who can deliver out of My hand; I work, and who will reverse it?"

Proverbs 16:3 (NKJV)

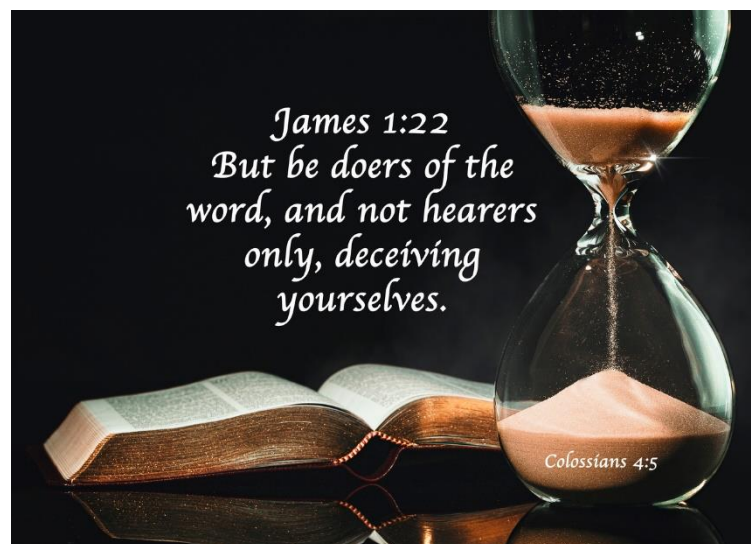
Commit your works to the LORD, And your **thoughts** will be established.

Philippians 1:28 (TEV)

Don't be afraid of your enemies; always be courageous, and this will prove to them that they will lose and that you will win, because it is God who gives you the victory.

Numbers 23:19 (NKJV)

"God is not a man, that He should lie, Nor a son of man, that He should repent. **Has He said**, and will He not do? **Or has He spoken**, and will He not make it good?"



Application:

37. **Destroy**, and **demolish**, all wrong thoughts and **replace** it with God's word.
38. **Notice** who destroys and demolishes the wrong thoughts. **The believer does! We must control our thoughts, in other words, exercise self-control, otherwise, our thoughts will control us!**

2 Corinthians 10:3-6 (RSV)

For though **we** live in the world **we** are not carrying on a worldly war,
4 for the weapons of **our** warfare are not worldly but have divine power to **destroy strongholds**.
5 **We destroy arguments** and **every** proud obstacle to the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive to obey Christ,
6 being ready to punish every disobedience, when **your** obedience is complete.

2 Corinthians 10:3-6 (KJV)

For though **we** walk in the flesh, **we** do not war after the flesh:
4 (For the weapons of **our** warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to **the pulling down** (G2506) of strong holds;)
5 **Casting down** (G2507) **imaginations**, and **every** high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of God, and bringing into captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ;
6 And having in a readiness to revenge all disobedience, when **your** obedience is fulfilled.

Greek definitions:

("the pulling down" G2506, destruction, demolition)

("Casting down" G2507, destroy, demolish)

Strong's Talking Greek & Hebrew Dictionary.

Dictionary definitions: Ponder over these definitions.

Dictionary definition for the word, "**stronghold**":

a fortified place, a place of security or survival, a place dominated by a particular group or marked by a particular characteristic

Dictionary definition for the word, "**imagination**":

the act or power of forming a mental image of something not present to the senses or never before wholly perceived in reality

Resources for encouragement and nourishment: Pray first and choose the one you need.



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