

## **How Long**

How long? **How long, what?** How long do I need to wait? **You are impatient. You want quick answers and easy results. It is very difficult for you to wait.** Yes, I am sorry to say that I have not been a big fan of waiting. I have found it very difficult to wait. You are right, I have wanted quick answers and easy results. I have been and still am an impatient person. **You have made a lot of progress.** How so? **You are much more patient than you once were. I have been developing patience in you. Your ability to wait before me has grown immensely. At one time, you were so impatient you could hardly sit still. Don't you remember those restless days of your life.** Yes, I remember.

**What have you learned as you have learned patience? What have you learned as you have come to sit still in my presence?** I have learned that there is no greater lesson to learn than to sit still before you. In your presence, I have come to know you, your will and your ways. I have discovered that there is no place that I would rather be than in your presence. I have learned that there is nothing I would rather do than to draw near to you. In your presence, you have taught and trained me. In your presence, you have guarded and guided me. There has been no other way for me to receive your wisdom than to come and ask you for it, as I have waited in your presence. You have blessed my life as I have sat still and waited before you. **That's right.**

**Let's return to your first question.** How long? **Yes, how long. How long do you think you will need to wait before me?** That's a hard question to answer. I don't know how long. **Yes, you do. Tell me what you know.** My life will consist of continually waiting before you. I will learn to love to wait before you. Waiting before you will not be a chore. Waiting before you will be a joy. Waiting before you will never be a waste of my time. As I wait before you, I will receive instructions. As I wait before you, I will receive direction. As I wait in your presence, I will know when to go and where to do all that you ask of me. As I wait before you, I will be given power and strength to do whatever you have given me to do for you. **Yes, you will.** I will be strong and bold and confident because I will know that you are with me to help me. **How will you know for certain that I am with you to help you?** I will know that you are with me to help me because I will have heard your voice speaking to me as I have sat still and waited in your presence. **That's right.**

*Lord, I have never liked waiting. I have been impatient and wanted instantaneous results. So often I have raced ahead of you into plans that were not yours for me. Now, I will expectantly and patiently wait for you to act in my life. Amen*

**Heart** *Wait For The Lord*  
Wait for the LORD; be strong and take heart and wait for the LORD.  
NIV Psalm 27:14

**Heart** *Wait For The Lord*  
Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!  
ESV Psalm 27:14

**Heart** *Wait Patiently For The Lord*  
Wait patiently for the LORD. Be brave and courageous. Yes, wait patiently for the LORD.  
NLT Psalm 27:14

**Heart** *Wait On The Lord*  
Wait on the LORD; Be of good courage, And He shall strengthen your heart; Wait, I say, on the LORD!  
NKJV Psalm 27:14

**Heart** *Wait For The Lord*  
Wait for the LORD; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the LORD!  
NRSV Psalm 27:14

**Heart** *Stay With God!*  
Stay with GOD! Take heart. Don't quit. I'll say it again: Stay with GOD.  
MSG Psalm 27:14

**Heart** *Wait And Hope For And Expect The Lord*  
Wait and hope for and expect the Lord; be brave and of good courage and let your heart be stout and enduring. Yes, wait for and hope for and expect the Lord.  
AMP Psalm 27:14

**Heart** *Wait For The Lord*  
Don't be impatient. Wait for the Lord, and he will come and save you! Be brave, stouthearted, and courageous. Yes, wait and he will help you.  
TLB Psalm 27:14

**Heart** *Wait For The Lord*  
Wait for the LORD; Be strong and let your heart take courage; Yes, wait for the LORD.  
NASB Psalm 27:14

**Heart** *Wait For The Lord's Help*  
Wait for the LORD'S help. Be strong and brave, and wait for the LORD'S help.  
NCV Psalm 27:14



**Journal**

*As You Quiet Yourself Before The Lord*

**What Do You Want To Say To Me Lord?**

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**What Prayers Are You Praying Today?**

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**Prayer Of Blessing**

*(What Prayer Of Blessing Can You Pray For Another?)*

*May you expectantly and patiently wait for the Lord to act in your life according to His purposes and plans.*

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**Prayer To Carry**

*(What Prayer Would You Like To Carry Throughout Your Day?)*

*Lord, help me to wait expectantly and patiently for you to work in my life according to your plans for me.*

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**What Do You Want To Remember About Today?**

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**A Question To Ask God**

*(What Would You Like To Ask God?)*

*Lord, what do you want me to see, hear and know as I wait for you to do your work in and through me?*

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