

Waiting Room: A Look at How God Wants Us to Wait Pastor Matt Horne Psalm 27 South Bay Bible Church July 6 & 7, 2019

Bottom Line

<u>Waiting Time is not Wasted Time</u>. There is hope for the one who waits on God. We do not say 'yes' to a plan, but rather a person. He is committed and will be faithful to you.

Introduction

Today I would like to speak with you about what it means to wait well. Are you about to break? Have you been at that point before? The moment you are about to break may be the moment that God is about to bless. This isn't a prosperity message, but rather an attempt to change your perspective on what it means to wait on God.

Struggle

- Everything around us tells us that our reality defines truth.
- Society has no time to wait.
- We feel uncomfortable when we feel that we are not in control.

Truth

- God's truth *redefines* our reality.
- Faster is not always better.
- God has called us to trust in his sovereignty.
- So how do we walk by faith and wait faithfully unto the Lord? Perhaps David can teach us something in Psalm 27.

"All sunshine makes a desert." - Warren Wiersbe

• David gives good habits for those who are facing a season of waiting-faith in the Lord.

Application

Speak -- (Declare the truth of God's character.)

- Great devotion fosters great dependence.
- Seek (Long for the presence of God in your waiting.)

"[David] sets his eyes on the pearl." – C.H. Spurgeon

Sing – (Lift a song to God to drown out any discouragement of Satan.)

• Though worship is directed to God, it can even encourage your own spirit.

Stay – (Learn in this season and encourage yourself to continue trusting.)

• Sit and listen for the whisper of your Heavenly Father.

Conclusion

You can have joy in trials. You can have hope that overcomes all hurt. Confusion can be calmed in the peace of God. God is good and He does good – and He is working all things for *your* good. Do not rush God, do not doubt God. Rather, continue to trust God. Walk in faith and obedience and know that God is before and behind you.

Next Steps

- □ Read Psalm 27 five times this week.
- □ Recall the unchanging character of the Lord by declaring one truth about Him each morning.
- □ Pray that the Lord will comfort you with His Holy Spirit this week.
- □ Play your favorite worship songs in the car and sing out loud to God.
- □ Write down some things that the Lord has been teaching you recently about Him and about you.