

# Waiting on the Lord

## It's Implications

**Isaiah 40:31** *But those who wait on the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.*

Do we understand the term "Waiting on the Lord?" The passage from the book of Isaiah, the prophet, gives us a tremendous promise when we learn what it means to wait on the Lord. Do you need your strength renewed? Do you often get weary in well-doing? Do you desire to soar in the spirit? As you learn what it means to wait on the Lord, these promises await you.

To wait on the Lord involves prayer, but it is much more than offering up our petitions before God. It is as much or more about listening to Him with a prayerful spirit. In Scripture, we are encouraged to acknowledge Him in all our ways, which involves keeping our mind stayed on the Lord throughout the day. By acknowledging God in all our practices, we pray without ceasing. We must continually lean upon Him in all things.

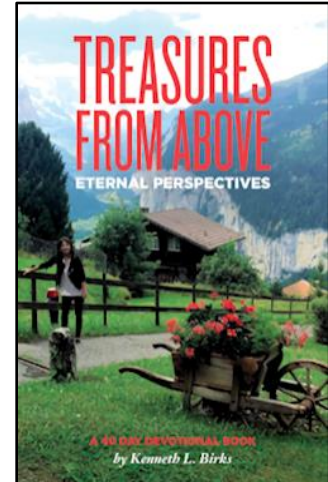
**Proverbs 3:5-6** *Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways, acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths.*

By acknowledging Him in everything we do, we offer Him even the most menial of tasks. By doing so, we are more in tune to hear Him as He speaks into our spirits as we go about our daily tasks. In doing this, we sense the Lord involved in our daily lives with our hearts engaged and energized, causing us to run the race without getting weary.

We often get so bogged down with the daily minutia that we forget the Holy Spirit is there as our Helper. Jesus relied entirely on the Holy Spirit and His communication with the Father, even during intense ministry times. He didn't allow the tyranny of the moment to steal from Him what the Father's purpose was. We see this during one of His ministry times in Capernaum. He'd just healed Peter's mother-in-law, followed by an extensive ministry time of casting out demons and healing many who were sick with various diseases. The whole city had gathered at the door. Following this anointed time, Jesus slipped out to pray and be alone with His Heavenly Father.

The disciples looked for Jesus the following day because everyone wanted Him to heal and deliver. When the disciples found Him, they said, "*Everyone is looking for you.*" Jesus' response was, "*Let us go to the next towns, that I may preach there also because for this purpose I have come forth.*" After spending time in prayer and communication with His Father, His spirit was refreshed with His vision and purpose renewed.

In the same way that Jesus' was renewed in vision and purpose daily, the Holy Spirit desires to renew our vision and purpose each day as we spend time waiting in His presence. So may God the Father fill us with insight and purpose as we wait on Him by acknowledging and committing all your ways unto Him each day. He desires to breathe upon us as He renews our strength daily.



## Prayer

Lord, I pray that you fill my mind and spirit with Your wisdom and knowledge of who You are. Fill my heart with Your desires towards me so that I may have the mind of Christ as I go about my day. Open the eyes of my understanding and enlighten me to know the hope of Your calling. Help me understand the exceeding greatness of Your power as I commit my day unto You. Renew my strength and cause me to soar like the eagles as I wait upon You.



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