



Your Future Self

Our biology and culture push us toward impatience, but God calls us to trust that what he's doing in us is worth the wait.

Discussion Questions:

1. Would you say you're generally patient or impatient? What makes you say that?
2. When you think of your current season of life, where are you tempted to feel stuck or powerless?
3. Read **Romans 8:25–29** aloud. What word or phrase stands out to you most, and why?

But if we hope for what we do not yet have, we wait for it patiently.

In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. We do not know what we ought to pray for, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us through wordless groans. And he who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for God's people in accordance with the will of God.

And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters.

Which part of that passage brings you comfort, and which part brings you challenge? Why?

4. Can you think of a past season of waiting where you now see God used it to shape you? If so, please share.
5. What's something you could do this week to remember that waiting isn't wasted—that God is using it to make you more like Jesus?