

"Patience"

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Galatians 5:22, 25

But the Holy Spirit produces this kind of fruit in our lives: love, joy, peace, PATIENCE... Since we are living by the Spirit, let us follow the Spirit's leading in every part of our lives. (NLT)

1. Patience is a fruit of the Spirit and _____ the God is at work in your life.

2. Patience is vital to _____ what God has for you in this life.

Galatians 6:9

"So let's not get tired of doing what is good. At just the right time we will reap a harvest of blessing if we don't give up."

Romans 12:12

Be patient in trouble and keep on praying."

Ephesians 4:2

"Always be humble and gentle. Be patient with each other, making allowances for each other's faults because of our love."

Proverbs 15:18 (NIV)

"A hot-tempered man stirs up dissension, but a patient man calms a quarrel."

3. Patience is easy to define but difficult to _____.

Romans 5:3-4

*3 There's more to come: We continue to shout our praise even when we're hemmed in with troubles, because we know how **DEVELOP PASSIONATE PATIENCE** in us, 4 and how that patience in turn forges the tempered steel of virtue, keeping us alert for whatever God will do next.*

1. Interruptions

Matthew 19:13 (NLT)

"One day some parents brought their children to Jesus so he could lay his hands on them and pray for them. But the disciples scolded the parents for bothering him."

2. Inconveniences....being "put out"

3. Irritations...not major setbacks, but the small stuff

Numbers 20:1-11 (NLT)

This temper tantrum cost Moses his entrance into the Promised Land.

4. Divine _____

Habakkuk 2:3

3 For the vision is yet for an appointed time; But at the end it will speak, and it will not lie. Though it tarries, wait for it; Because it will surely come, It will not tarry. NKJV

How Does God Develop Patience in Our Lives?

#1. Patience comes by _____ in Christ.

2 Corinthians 5:17

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!"

#2. Patience comes when you get God's _____ in prayer.

#3. Patience comes when you regularly step back from the flow of this _____.

Psalms 37:7

"Rest in the Lord; wait patiently for him..."