



DIVING DEEPER

LIVING WHAT WE LEARN

## **"TRUSTING GOD'S TIMING"**

***Ecclesiastes 3:11 He hath made every thing beautiful in his time: also he hath set the world in their heart, so that no man can find out the work that God maketh from the beginning to the end.***

**Do you believe that what doesn't make sense today may make perfect sense tomorrow?**

### **1. GOD'S TIMING IS DIFFERENT FROM OUR TIMING**

***Isaiah 55:8-9***

***8 For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord.***

***9 For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts.***

***Genesis 21:2 For Sarah conceived, and bare Abraham a son in his old age, at the set time of which God had spoken to him.***

### **2. GOD DOES SOMETHING IN US WHILE WE WAIT**

***Psalms 27:14 Wait on the Lord: be of good courage, and he shall strengthen thine heart: wait, I say, on the Lord.***

**Do you think that in your waiting you are waiting on God to change the situation?**



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***Do you think that in the waiting you are waiting on God to change YOU?***

***Have you had your heart strengthened during your waiting periods? If so, how?***

**What dream did God give Joseph?**

**What happened to Joseph in his life after he had the dream?**

**God had not abandoned the dream.**

**God was developing the dreamer.**

*Joseph learned leadership, humility, faithfulness, wisdom, endurance and character in his waiting.*

**What is God developing in you during your waiting periods?**

**Have you learned patience?**

**Have you developed discipline?**

**Have you learned to pray?**

**Have you learned dependence?**

**Has your character been strengthened?**

**Have you ever been in a position where you are not READY for the blessing?**

**Have you ever become so focused on getting out of this season that you miss what God wants to put into you during this season?**

**3. WHEN GOD'S TIME COMES, THINGS CAN CHANGE QUICKLY**



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***Galatians 6:9 And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.***

There is a season for planting, watering, waiting and harvest. What season do you see yourself in right now?

Have you ever quit in the season right before the harvest?

Does discouragement cause you to throw in the towel?

What encouragement can you get from looking at Joseph's story?

***Habakkuk 2:3 For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry.***

Are you one who tries to force a door God hasn't opened?

Have you ever seen in your experience that anything you have to manipulate to receive, you may have to manipulate to keep?

**WHAT DO I DO WHILE I'M WAITING**

**FIRST—PRAY WITHOUT PANICKING.**

**SECOND—BE FAITHFUL WHERE YOU ARE.**

**THIRD—REFUSE TO GIVE UP.**



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### ***Philippians 4:6***

***"Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God."***

***Galatians 6:9 And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.***

**What if you are closer than you think?**

**Have you quit praying?**

**Have you quit believing?**

**Have you quit serving?**

**Have you quit trusting?**

**You don't know how close you are to 'due season'.**

**Are you in the waiting season today?**

**What are you waiting for? (an answer, a direction, healing a relationship, a breakthrough, a child, an opportunity)**

***Psalms 31:15 My times are in thy hand: deliver me from the hand of mine enemies, and from them that persecute me.***

**Can you trust God's heart when you don't understand His timing?**

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***work that God maketh from the beginning to the end.***

**Are you rushing God?**

**Are you giving up on God?**

**Are you tired of waiting?**

**Are you assuming God's silence means absence?**

**Remember God is working!**

**Remember God is preparing!**

**Remember God is arranging!**

**Remember God is developing!**

**Will you trust Him?**

**What does that change in your life to actively start trusting God?**

**What was the biggest take away from today's lesson?**