

Small Group Questions: Reentry/How to Win in the Waiting

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Read

Acts 1:3-5

Reflect

As we begin to reenter into a world that has possibly changed forever, we must still wait for things to get back to normalcy. Rather than complain or worry while we wait, how do we get the most out of this time?

Pastor Josh Surratt compares this season with the time Jesus' disciples had to wait for the Holy Spirit to start their ministry after Jesus was raised from the dead. This story teaches that waiting can do three things:

1. Waiting exposes your character.
 - a. What is this time of waiting revealing about your character? Are you discovering any unresolved character issues?
2. Waiting tests your resolve.
 - a. Where is your resolve being tested right now? How can you stay strong and not give up?
3. Waiting sweetens the arrival.
 - a. What are you waiting for that you are going to feel especially grateful for when it happens or when you get it? How can looking forward to this thing make waiting for it easier?

What to Do When You Are Waiting on God

Pastor Josh provides three ways to be productive in a season of waiting:

1. Pray
 - a. What are you worried, stressed, or anxious about? How can you turn these things into something you pray for?
 - b. Who is God calling you to help or reach? Who should you be praying for?
2. Praise
 - a. What idols are you needing to put away? What walls need to come down in your life? How can praise remove these barriers to your relationship with Jesus?
3. Prepare
 - a. How can you be preparing during this time of waiting?
 - b. What do you want your priorities to be when things reopen?

Respond: Where is God leading you? How can your small group support you?